CAMPAIGNING BY TELEVISION OVERWHELMS ISRAELIS WITH ELECTION PROPAGANDA

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

With less than one week to go before election day, one might have thought that the phony war between the 22 lists contesting the elections, conducted so far by means of newspaper advertisements and meetings in public halls and private homes, was over. But the truth is that the televised election programs, which are being served up to the public in the form of a half hour of solid propaganda, may not sharpen the conflict so much as neutralize it altogether. The advertisements on behalf of the different parties, following one another in swift succession, seem at times to cancel each other out:

An item on behalf of the Likud, containing a telling blow at the ruling Alignment, comes hard on the heels of a slashing attack on the Likud itself by the Alignment, showing a car with "L" plates lurching unsteadily along a road, while a voice purrs in the background: "For 29 years he has tried to get a licence from you — and failed. Do you think he is a safe bet in the driver's seat?"

While these carryings-on may give the more seasoned and cynical observers of the Israeli political scene a good laugh at the expense of all the parties, it does not lessen the perplexity, for the undecided, about for whom to cast one's vote.

Election broadcasting time is divided up among the party lists according to current strength in the Knesset. Thus, lists contesting for the first time, like Yigael Yadin's Democratic Movement for Change, end up with almost no exposure whatever. A situation they have used to advantage on the screen by showing a ticking stopwatch, and declaring: "We have no time. The others have time...time to ruin the economy, line their own pockets, turn the word politician into a dirty word....They've had too much time, and we're going to remove them from government."

It may be, in fact, that the better-established parties with the lion's share of television time may succeed merely in killing their campaigns by over-exposure.

Viewers are already charmed to death with the National Religious Party's animated film of a crocheted yarmulke turning first into a tree, then into a prefabricated house (of the settlers in the occupied territories, one assumes).

The Alignment, seriously concerned that it will not emerge the largest caucus after the elections, and as a result could lose its prerogative, unchallenged so far, of forming a government, aimed its blows at its own defecting voters: "If Shelli (the Moked-Lyova Eliav-Uri Avneri front) eats away at our strength from the left, and the Democratic Movement for Change eats away from the right, make no mistake —you'll end up with Begin as prime minister."

But this was a rare piece of plain talking. The tone of much of the propaganda, so far, is almost simple-minded, rather as if the large parties are holding back from too many body-blows for fear of upsetting their own applecarts. "How are you, Mr. Begin?" an 'interviewer', grinning fatuously, asked of the Likud leader, emaciated and visibly weakened after his recent illness. With friends like that, who needs enemies?

Some of the small party lists, with less time and resources, have managed to organize their messages more effectively than the big parties, and say what they have to say in fewer words. Rabbi Meir Kahane's extremist faction, for instance, communicates its platform only too clearly: "The Messiah is knocking on the door," says Rabbi Kahane. The rabbi, who apparently has privileged information, tells us this means that Judea and Samaria are as Jewish as Tel Aviv, and that the million or so Arabs on the West Bank and in Gaza must be made to understand that they are unwanted guests.

But the prize for the party which puts its case most effectively in the smallest amount of time is the new Women's Party, which showed harassed mothers lugging loaded shopping bags, minding babies, and hanging out rows of pants. Each woman, when questioned if she worked, replied self-deprecatingly: "No, I'm a housewife." The film concluded with the declaration: "We're the only party which recognizes you as part of the labor force, entitled to social security, health insurance and community services. This time, when you vote...think of yourself!"

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Rose sees failure over youth

MONTREAL [Staff] —

Canadian Jewry has been criticized by Alan Rose for what he says is its failure to tap a "reservoir of Jewish strength," the new, largely university-educated generation which, he asserted, is "often impatient with a slow and sometimes, in their view, obtuse Jewish establishment."

The national executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress made this sharp comment among a number of others in a paper prepared for delivery Thursday on the opening day of the CJC triennial plenary assembly here.

In his speech, he offered strong criticism of his organization's failure to reflect the rapid transformation and integration of women into society.

"Can we be satisfied that we do not have one national officer who is a woman, notwithstanding the extraordinary achievements of women's organizations within the Zionist family, the National Council of Jewish Women, women's federations and sisterhoods, etc. Virtually half the potential of the community has not been brought into the mainstream of Congress activity," said the Montrealer.

Canadian Jewry is moving to a new concept of community, continued Rose in his paper entitled "Community Structure — The New Reality".

"What we see emerging is a union of kehillot based to some extent on the European experience, but not divorced from our Canadian Jewish ethos."

Saying Jews thrive on pluralism, he added that whether the Canadian experience of multiculturalism will be transplanted to Quebec in the future, in terms of a pluralistic society, is an open question.

He called on leadership to "intelligently understand the new realities of Canadian Jewry and seek that narrow path which adroitly conforms to change, whilst enhancing our traditions and heritage."

Rose identified the following issues to be dealt with by delegates to the Plenary:

— How should the new structures — such as Toronto Jewish Congress, Winnipeg Jewish Community Council — be integrated within the framework of a democratic CJC?

— How does Congress deal with the adversary concept of funding — Israel's demands versus Canadian institutional demands?

— Should there be a change in the system of election to the national executive, now an essentially regional system, to direct, elected representation from communities?

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Alan Rose

'Will promote ethnic culture'

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Cultural Development Minister Dr. Camille Laurin, architect of the White Paper on Language, took a strong vow to promote ethnic culture in Quebec at the recent annual meeting of Jewish Immigrant Aid Services (JIAS).

"This is a very deep conviction in our party and it will be translated in every measure this government takes. This is a promise," the minister told the overflow crowd in the Jewish Public Library auditorium. The hall was so full, many were obliged to watch on closed-circuit television outside.

Laurin drew applause when he said: "We will see that all people of Quebec live as first-class citizens with full rights and can participate fully in the mainstream of Quebec life.

"We think all ethnic groups have brought much to our community. We want them to keep their heritage because in a way it is our heritage, too. But this heritage must be something living and dynamic if it is to be maintained and developed."

He suggested ways to accomplish this include the introduction of maternal languages in public schools, the encouragement of Saturday or Sunday classes, and the development of post-doctoral programs in civilization at the universities.

Laurin said he felt "at home with this audience; not only because I have many Jewish friends, have read the French-language Congress Bulletin for many years, have met many Jewish professionals in my work as a clinician, and know Dr. (Joe) Kage (executive vice-president of JIAS), but I feel at home with all groups that make up the mosaic of the new Quebec."

The right of all immigrants to find the best possible conditions in Quebec was wholeheartedly endorsed by Laurin. "Our government will follow the same democratic ideals as past governments. It is the duty of any government to help immigrants in all possible ways — whether this be through subsidies or asking the advice of organizations like JIAS. We welcome any suggestions and will listen with utmost attention so that we can deliver the best services in solidarity in the most effective manner."

Unruffled, Laurin calmly and methodically answered numerous questions from the floor and remained undisturbed by the occasional heckler.

Questions concerned the veracity of Laurin's claim that all will be first-class citizens after implementation of the white paper; the logic of a unilingual Quebec; the possibility of fewer Jewish immigrants to Quebec if they are forced to attend French schools; and the injustice of obliging those to speak French who had enough trouble learning English when they came to Canada.

Cheers and clapping broke out when a woman asked that in spite of the Parti Quebecois' claim of democratic ideals, people are denied the freedom of choice. However, another who charged that a "police state" would ensue if the paper became law was swiftly chided.

Laurin summed up the white paper as a "positive" law intended to promote the French language and not something against any group in Quebec.

"The bill is not designed to provoke fear or apprehension or to restrict anyone in any way...anglophones will be able to live as they have in the past but will have to take into account the French majority ...anglophones have had a great many privileges and they will now have to make adjustments. Learning a language is an enrichment for an individual and I know many of you here speak three or four languages."

The end result, said Laurin, will be a better understanding of what we are and this will create a "new dialogue for our mutual benefit."

Close boycott loophole

OTTAWA [Staff] —

The Canadian Civil Liberties and Canadian Bar Associations are calling for amendments to the federal Human Rights Bill that would counter discriminatory trade practices — such as the Arab boycott.

In briefs presented to the House of Commons Standing Committee on Justice and Legal Affairs here, the associations, along with Canadian Jewish Congress, have urged closure of loopholes in the proposed legislation. The bill now provides against discrimination in accommodation, services, and employment, but not the marketplace.

"...the anti-discrimination provisions of the bill should apply to all of the activities of the federal government and its public agencies," says the CCLA brief, "and all of the public market transactions of private entrepreneurs which fall within the federal jurisdiction."

Referring to the Arab boycott's potential prejudice against Jews, the association notes that under the presently worded bill, "it would be unlawful, for example, for (private entrepreneurs subject to federal jurisdiction) to avoid hiring people because of race, creed, etc., but not to avoid trading with people on such grounds."

The Canadian Bar Association, in a similar request, asks that consideration be given to

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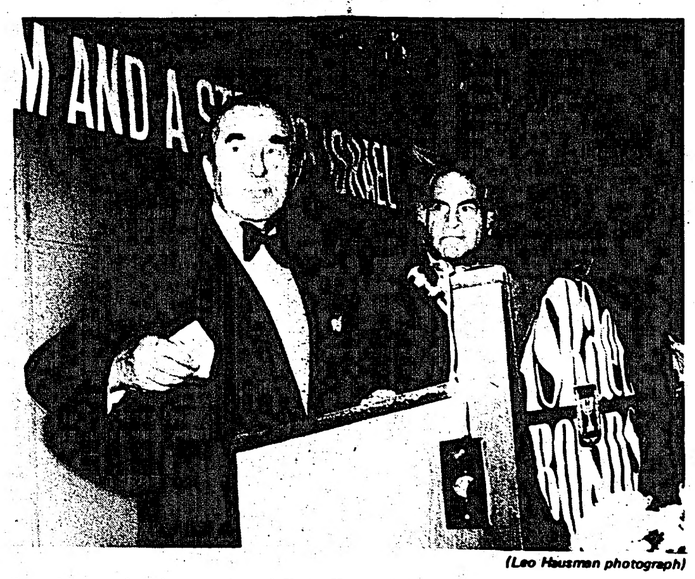
— HOLIDAY NOTICE —

The offices of The Canadian Jewish News will be closed on the May 23 statutory holiday. Therefore for the May 27 edition, the deadline for all ads and editorial submissions is Thursday, May 19 at 2 p.m.



(Leo Hausman photograph)

Something catches the attention of Chaim Herzog (left), Israel ambassador to the UN, and Lawrence Shankman, Toronto Bonds' Prime Minister Club chairman, at Bonds kickoff function last week at Beth Tzedec. Herzog also addressed gathering at Shaarei Shomayim.

Anti-Semitism increasing is warning from Herzog

By TOBA KORENBLUM

TORONTO —

International anti-Semitism, in the Western Hemisphere as well as the Third World, has reached disturbing proportions, says Chaim Herzog, Israel's ambassador to the United Nations.

Addressing an Israel Bonds campaign kickoff dinner at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, the diplomat said Jews are living in "fool's paradise" if they think anti-Semitism is waning. Supporting his claim, he pointed to attacks at the UN of "a vicious, vitriolic anti-Semitic idiom...an idiom that makes the Sturmer mild and compromising."

The Belfast-born diplomat noted that the two-faced hypocrisy of the UN has allowed that international body to continually denounce Israel on questions of human rights, while ignoring the blaring injustices in Lebanon, Kurdistan and Cambodia.

And he saved a measure of rebuke for Western nations, who are "standing idly by" in the face of evil, much as their religious and political elite ignored the horrors of the Holocaust. Israel will not be a partner to this conspiracy of silence.

"The compromising attitude with all that is evil, not on the part of the Third World, but Western countries, is the most disturbing aspect of the constitution of the world as reflected and mirrored in the UN," said Herzog. "It must sound the alarm for the Jewish people."

Yet the former chief of Israeli military intelligence was careful to add that the situation at the UN had "improved beyond measure". In a lighter vein, he remarked jocularly about his post: "It's not exactly a job for a nice Jewish boy....I'm never in doubt about having to earn my keep."

Turning to current developments in the Mideast, the Israeli envoy told some 400 dinner guests that Israel is developing a rapprochement with the African bloc, although practical relationships had not yet been forged.

He predicted that a resumption of the Geneva peace talks was conceivable toward the end of this year and that bilateral negotiations were forseeable.

Reflecting on the 10th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem, the ambassador said the pre-1967 history of the region puts into perspective the Arabs' disregard for Palestinian rights and nationhood.

He stood firm on the issue of Arab recognition of Israeli existence as the critical linchpin in peace negotiations and cited Israel's "open" borders as an indication of a movement toward an overall settlement.

Herzog also addressed a community rally of close to 1,000 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, under tight security throughout his stay. It is the envoy's third visit to Toronto in the past year. He also opened the Bonds' campaign last year, delivered a wide-ranging speech at the Royal Canadian Military Institute in January and returns to Montreal for the Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary Assembly this week.

The Bonds organization announced that $1.6 million in pledges in cash had been raised in conjunction with the Herzog dinner, $440,000 from the rally and $230,000 at a women's division luncheon. The campaign, which opened last month, stands at a total of $7.5 million, with five $1 million institutional notes pledged.

Among the headtable speakers were dinner chairman Lawrence Shankman, president of Bonds' Prime Minister's Club; Kurt Rothschild, Toronto general campaign chairman; Barry Lipson, chairman of the Ambassador's Society of Trustees, and Gail Green, chairman of the Prime Minister's Club, women's division.

Massive telethon to cap campaign

TORONTO —

A massive daytime telethon to complete the 1977 United Jewish Appeal campaign will be held from May 16-20.

UJA chairman Joe Berman said he expects hundreds of canvassers to be on the phones at 150 Beverley St. from 9 to 5 daily during the week to contact the 6,000 members of the community who made contributions last year but who have not yet pledged for 1977. "We'll be in touch also," he added, "with thousands more who don't contribute."

Berman said Gerry Goldenberg will co-ordinate the week's activities, assisted by campaign leadership. The campaign leaders will be out in full force during the week, he said, including officers and executive members of Toronto Jewish Congress, who will man the phones on May 19.

"Last year," said Berman, "the 6,000 contributors we will be concentrating on gave a total of $4.2 million. If we raise at least this amount through the telethons, our campaign total will match last year's. That's not enough to meet our commitments to Israel and the local agencies, but it will bring us closer to the amount we actually need."

The telethon will wind up "Emergency 77", which has been under way during the past month with a series of blitz days. Berman said 2,500 cards have been covered during this time for a total of over $2 million. The campaign total now stands at about $15 million.

Plaut and Cotler as co-presidents proposed to CJC

MONTREAL (Staff) –

A co-presidency, with Professor Irwin Cotler and Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut occupying the twin posts, will be offered to the delegates attending the 18th plenary of the Canadian Jewish Congress, now in progress here.

The CJC national officers rejected this proposal when it was raised a little more than a week ago, basing their decision on the fact that there is no provision in the CJC constitution for a sharing of the presidential post. But there is a growing feeling that the proposal should be re-examined and several of the officers are said to have come to the conclusion that there is considerable merit in the idea.

The two aspirants for the presidency likely will seek endorsation from the nominations committee, but in any event, it is proposed to put the plan before the assembly. Both men have worked together in other areas of Jewish community interest and achieved most successful results.

The fact that Dr. Plaut is not a Canadian citizen – a condition which may be remedied before long – is likely to be raised by some delegates.

This is the joint statement issued by Messrs. Cotler and Plaut:

We have been co-workers – if not comrades in arms – for a number of years during which time we have developed a close personal as well as professional relationship.

We have been in regular communication since the exploration of our respective candidacies for president and we have seriously canvassed the situation at hand.

We have come to the conclusion that we can best serve Canada – and hopefully, the Jewish community – by sharing the burdens of leadership. It is our feeling that Canadian Jewry – as Canada itself – has entered upon a critical period in its history. We believe that unconventional times require unconventional solutions. We feel that it is important that the Canadian Jewish community – through the Canadian Jewish Congress – have a strong, visible and activist leadership throughout the length and breadth of this country.

Indeed, our very geographical placement in the two major centres of Montreal and Toronto is a fortuitous circumstance; and in addition we believe that our conjoint service would span two generations and present a unique model of unity and continuity.

Accordingly, we have concluded that, having regard to personal considerations, the nature of the responsibilities involved, the best interests of the community, a co-presidency would be the best approach at this time.

Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut

Prof. Irwin Cotler

The two-man presidency proposal won't find favor with many delegates, according to one source who preferred to be nameless. In this informant's view, the CJC presidency is a one-man job and does not lend itself to divided authority. On the other hand, there is a feeling that there are benefits to be derived from this type of leadership.

"In any event," said a Montreal delegate, "the plenary is supreme and will decide."

The CJC constitution speaks of a "president", and therefore it would be necessary to amend the constitution should the joint presidency plan find majority favor. The constitution also says that all Jews who are residents of Canada are eligible for election to office.

A new Canadian Jewish Congress, with the roles of its national and regional structures clearly defined, will hopefully emerge from the four-day conference.

"There should be movement in a lot of areas," said Steve Ain, assistant national executive director. "A number of key future directions for Congress, in light of the mergers in Winnipeg and Toronto, on the national level will have to be agreed on."

Ain believes far-reaching changes have to be made in Congress' national organization. This would perhaps mean relegating some of the older programs from the national to the regional program. The national level would be freed to

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Retiring CJC president sees two main issues

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

TORONTO —

Retiring Canadian Jewish Congress National President Judge Sydney Harris says the two most serious problems facing Canadian Jewry today are the competition for diminishing funds between Israeli and Canadian needs, and the Quebec situation.

"The question is who gets the money first," says the 60-year-old judge. "There's a serious danger that changes in government policy in Quebec might mean social agencies and the day school system would receive no government funds. That will mean we'll have to get the funds from somewhere else."

The first Ontarian to head Congress offers no solution on funding priorities for Canadian Jewry.

Asked whether Congress is considering moving its national office out of Quebec, he answers "no". He would not speculate on what the CJC might do if Quebec separates.

In a 1½-hour interview in his home a week prior to the CJC plenary, Harris, touching on a number of areas, wasn't as outspoken as he was prior to assuming his role on the bench last summer.

He points out that another major problem facing the community concerns the guidelines and divisions of responsibilities of organizations. He urges various joint organizations to surrender some sovereignty to the partnership. The incoming officers of Congress will have to deal with this whole problem of continuation of joint committees, he continues.

"I am not satisfied with the way the Canada-Israel Committee (Congress sponsors this group along with B'nai B'rith and the Canadian Zionist Federation) is working.... I found there was too much time spent on organizational dispute — who was going to do what instead of getting it done. But it's doing a better job than if we didn't have it."

He gives the example of the boycott issue as something that should be handled by Congress, not the CIC, because it's a matter affecting all Canadians, not just Canada-Israel relations.

Asked if he thought there was too much professional control and not enough lay control of our major community organizations, he replied: "In Congress, as far as policy goes, absolutely no. Also no

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World News

Appeal launched for Syrian Jews

PARIS [JTA] —

Jacob Tsur, president of the Israeli Council for Jews from Arab Countries, has launched an appeal to Syrian President Hafez Assad to improve the status of the country's 4,000 Jews.

Tsur, who launched his appeal a week before Assad conferred in Geneva with President Carter, said he will meet in Paris with Senate President Alain Poher and other French political leaders from all parties to seek their help and personal intervention in this quest.

The situation of the remaining Jews in other Arab countries no longer causes concern, Tsur said. In Egypt and Iraq some 400 Jews remain in each of these two countries and they consist mainly of elderly and sick people. Tsur said they are well treated and apparently have no desire to leave. As to Syria, the Council's president said two issues required immediate attention.

One issue is the plight of some 520 young Jewish women who are unable to marry in Syria and need permission to leave and try to find Jewish husbands elsewhere. Tsur said Assad, as a practicing Moslem, "ought to sympathize with this personal tragedy."

He added: "There has been a degree of liberalization in the treatment of Syrian Jews and the time has now come for the authorities to prove the sincerity of their pledges."

The second urgent issue, Tsur said, concerns the small Jewish community of Kamishli, a remote town on the Turkish border. The handful of Jews feel cut off from other Jews and need permission to leave their homes and settle in Damascus. Tsur asked the Syrian authorities to grant this authorization on humanitarian grounds.

Jews were obsession of Richard Nixon

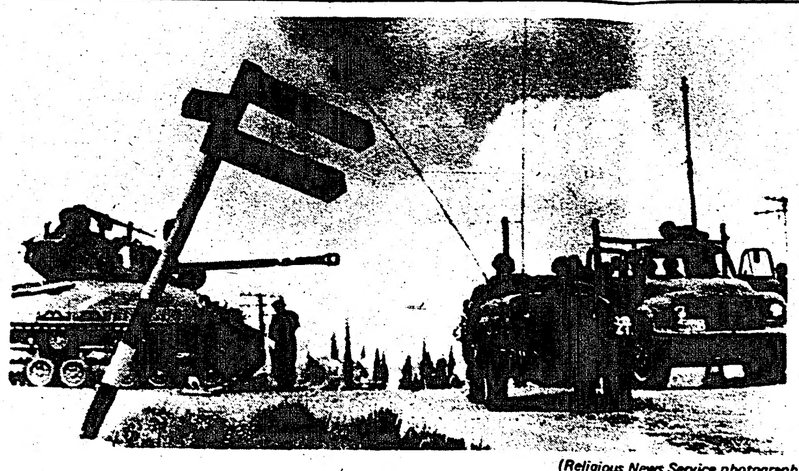
NEW YORK [JTA] —

Hitherto unpublished transcripts of Watergate tapes reveal that former President Nixon was worried that Jews on the White House staff were leaking information to Jewish reporters and complained to his press secretary, Ron Ziegler, that he was surrounded by Jews.

According to the New York Daily News, Nixon, talking about the tapes of conversations he had with his onetime counsel, John Dean, told press secretary Ron Ziegler "...and I talked about Jews....I said we're not going to — there's now a Jewish seat (on the Supreme Court).... I said I've got them all around me.

"I've got Kissinger and I've got (Herbert) Stein... uh, and I said, and I pointed out our Jewish friends — even on our White House staff — leak to Jews. But Dean says, there'll never be a leak out of me. I just don't know how to leak.' "

The transcripts, which show that Nixon was aware of "hush money" for the Watergate burglars more than a year before he resigned from the presidency in August, 1974, were excerpted in the Washington Post, the New York Times and the News. The News was the only paper to publish the section containing references to Jews.



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The 10th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem is being celebrated. This 1967 shot shows toppled signpost on the way to Jericho and Mount of Olives during march of Israeli armed forces.

New book chronicles Jerusalem's fortunes

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Ten years after the barriers dividing Jerusalem have come down, the descriptions of Jerusalem as city of peace, centre of mankind, pivot of three faiths, have become almost platitudinous.

There are, of course, more controversial characterizations of this endlessly fascinating, etherealy beautiful, war-town city of contrasts. "Liberated Jerusalem" is one — but that depends on who is doing the talking. At the very least we should be able to settle for "unified Jerusalem". But can we? How unified is Jerusalem?

In his book **Jerusalem the Torn City** (Isratypeset Ltd., Jerusalem 1976), Meron Benvenisti, deputy mayor of the city since 1974, chronicles the shifting fortunes of Jerusalem from the early attempts at internationalization, through the 19 years when the two halves of Jerusalem were cut off from one another, to the post-1967 period, and the confrontations and compromises which have taken place in the course of welding the two halves of the city into one functioning whole.

The book closes with a summing-up, in memo form, of the present situation and the prospects for resolving the conflicts.

Much of the material which bears upon this period is still classified, and the reader is warned at the outset to expect nothing in the way of startling revelations. Still this does not detract in any way from the book's importance for anyone seeking to comprehend the complexities of the Jerusalem problem.

Benvenisti's account is valuable for a number of reasons. He is a historian, and writes his version of events dispassionately. As municipal administrator of the Old City from June 1967 to 1971, he was at the very centre of events in the period following unification.

Born in Jerusalem and passionately devoted to the city, his book is an eloquent and authentic description of the events which have transformed the face of Jerusalem over the past decade.

This attitude, which diverges sharply from the one vociferously maintained by certain groups, that the demands of the Arabs, political or civil, cannot be met without doing damage to the principle of Israeli sovereignty, led to Benvenisti's political ostracism for many years, and would have led to his eclipse if not for the support of Mayor Teddy Kollek.

Benvenisti's account of the functioning of the two separate municipalities up to the Six Day War portrays West Jerusalem as it was: "a tranquil, introverted, provincial city", where no responsible political faction even dreamt of the possibility of reunification, and certainly not by force.

He shows the eastern sector after 1948 up against problems of great magnitude. The city was crammed to bursting with refugees, was cut off from its electricity supply, and was subject to constant water shortages.

This situation was complicated by the implacable opposition of many Palestinians to Jordanian hegemony, and the equal determination of the Jordanian authorities to keep the Palestinians in their place by progressively undermining the status of Jerusalem in favor of that of Amman.

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Labor Party secretary resigns

By YITZHAK SHARGIL

TEL AVIV [JTA] —

Meir Zarmi has resigned as secretary general of the Labor Party after accusing party leader Shimon Peres of undermining his position. Zarmi's departure just two weeks before election day, May 17, hit Labor like a bombshell and drew angry charges from many Laborites that Peres had indeed precipitated the resignation.

In his letter to Peres, Zarmi said that he could not continue to function as long as he was excluded from party forums and deliberations and his counsel was unsought or ignored. He said there was no co-ordination between himself and Peres on party matters. He noted that he was not even invited to a meeting of Labor's 120 Knesset candidates where Peres delivered a long address.

Zarmi also said he was hurt when he read in a newspaper interview with Peres that the defence minister, who assumed the duties of premier last month, would designate Uzzi Baram the Labor Party's next secretary general. Zarmi had been asked to remain in his post until after the Histadrut elections in June. He said he was surprised to read that Peres had selected a successor without consulting him.

Election selection

By GIL SEDAN

JERUSALEM [JTA] —

Israelis who go to the polls to elect a new Knesset — the ninth — will have 22 political parties to choose from compared to 21 that ran for the Knesset in the last elections in December, 1973. Originally there were 23 lists. But Ranana, a new group representing Nazi war victims, was disqualified for technical reasons.

Not all of the parties that filed for election are expected to win Knesset seats. In fact, if past performance is any criteria, less than half will make it. In 1973 only 10 of the 21 lists won sufficient votes to be represented in Israel's parliament.

More pro-Arab papers

NEW YORK [JTA] —

Paris has become the base for a new group of Arabic periodicals financed by petro-dollars and aimed at Arab intellectuals living in the French capital and industrialists and businessmen in Arab countries, the Antwerp-based magazine To the Point International reported in its recent issue.

The largest of the new magazines is Mostakbal (Future), a weekly published and edited by Nabil Khoury, who edited Hawadess in Beirut before he fled the Lebanese civil war.

According to Point International, Khoury is financed by several Arab emirates and enjoys the political support of Khaled El-Hassan, the Saudi Arabian representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Starting capital is estimated at over $2 million.

The second Arabic language magazine is called Al Watan Al Arabi (The Arab Fatherland) and is edited by Walid Abou Dahr, who owns the Beirut-based pro-Iraqi daily Al Moharrer. His aim "is to supply economic and political information and analysis to the Middle East" from Europe and the U.S., Point International said.

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Toronto Jewish communal leaders (from left) Alex Grossman, Al Green, Harry Solman and Abe Posluns met recently to study, research and plan completion of the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care drive for funds. The campaign goal is $2.5 million.

Constitutional lawyer is hired to offer an opinion on integration

TORONTO [Staff] —

Douglas Laidlaw, a constitutional lawyer with the firm of McCarthy & McCarthy, has been hired by the North York Board of Education to offer a legal opinion on the validity of integrating a Hebrew day school in the system.

The Laidlaw report, which could cost up to $5,000, will examine the board's legal status in pursuing an experimental plan to integrate the Associated Hebrew Schools into the public system — without Ministry of Education approval. The report is expected to be completed this month.

A subcommittee of trustees, headed by North York Board Chairman Mel Shipman, recommended in a meeting last week that a delegation should investigate the experiences of Alberta, where the province makes its grants directly to independent or alternative schools.

The subcommittee will also likely prepare informational material to broaden community dialogue on the integration proposal and the general philosophy of multiculturalism in education.

Should the Laidlaw findings direct North York toward a legal solution to their impasse with Queen's Park, the constitutional feud could make its way to the Supreme Court, as a test case.

The crux of the dispute lies in the interpretation of the Education Act: the ministry argues that public funds cannot support a school where religious courses are compulsory; the board suggest that optionality within the entire system, rather than a single school, could be a proper interpretation.

In other developments, Premier William Davis, in a pre-election promise, said his government will spend $1.5 to $2 million on an after-hours "heritage program". This could allow, among other things, a public school to offer Hebrew language courses in after-school or weekend classes, to a maximum of 2½ hours weekly.

In an 18-page luncheon address to ethnic leaders, the premier gave his government's commitment to multiculturalism in the classroom and noted that despite the freeze on educational spending, money has been allocated for the heritage program.

Children in the province, he said, should have the opportunity "to retain their personal identity by becoming acquainted with the historical roots of the community and culture of his or her origin and by developing a sense of continuity with the past."

Ironically, this precise dedication to multiculturalism is Shipman's rationale for pressing, in a protracted three-year battle, the question of funding the secular portion of private schools. Davis made no mention of the controversy in his speech.

Shipman said the heritage program was "a little nibbly departure" from previous stances on multiculturalism in the school system and could open the door a crack for a possible funding of the private school system.

Last week, the Toronto Jewish Congress announced its decision to reverse past tradition and call for Ontario government funding for Jewish day schools in the province.

Israel is willing to restore relations with Soviet Union

OTTAWA [Staff] —

Israel is willing to restore diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union, broken by Moscow during the Six Day War, says the director general of its Foreign Ministry, Shlomo Avineri.

"Russia would just have to pick up the phone," said the civil servant in an interview here. But he dismissed as "rumors" and "a smokescreen" the potential of Soviet interest in renewing relations.

"They are not willing to pay the political price, that is, losing friends in the Arab world. We are open to dialogue. When they broke off relations they castrated themselves in the Mideast," remarked Avineri.

A former dean of social sciences at Hebrew University, Avineri was in Ottawa to address the annual Canada-Israel Committee dinner for members of Parliament.

In a short interview in his Skyline Hotel suite, overlooking the Ottawa River, the Israeli said any general settlement with Egypt, or normalization process with other Arab nations, will have to contain a diplomatic, commercial or cultural component.

"The Arab countries see Israeli withdrawal as the outcome of negotiations but there has to be an Arab quid pro quo...not just a movement toward a verbal agreement of terms, but a movement toward diplomatic relations, cultural relations, tourism, open frontiers, and so forth," he noted, adding that even in the beginning of normalization some of these ingredients will have to be present.

He dodged a question on President Carter's call for defensible borders for Israel, along with a withdrawal, more or less, to the pre-1967 lines. And he declined to comment on Israel's military role in the Lebanese civil war.

Syria, he did point out, has never accommodated itself to the existence of a Lebanon with a pluralistic, multicultural constitution. "The de facto integration of Lebanon into Syria," he said, "poses a great danger to Israeli security and may make Lebanon into another confrontation state."

Turning to another matter, Avineri criticized Diaspora leaders who accept invitations to Arab countries. "I marvel at the inability of Jewish people who should know better, not to read rightly what they (the Arabs) are doing ...Those invitations create two kinds of Jews — those who can travel to Arab countries (Diaspora Jews) and those who can't travel because they are lepers (Israelis)."

As for Diaspora involvement in Israeli policy making, the Foreign Ministry director said wryly: "Advice is always welcome. But it's a two-way street. Decisions have to go with responsibility...As a political theorist I believe power should be where responsibility is. Power without responsibility is irresponsible power."

Reiterating the theme of his speech to the CIC dinner, Avineri said a West Bank Jordanian federation is the alternative favored by Israel and stressed that negotiations with the PLO "makes life more difficult for more moderate Palestinians and more moderate Arab governments."

Viewed as a moderate himself before being named to the Foreign Ministry last year, the former academic said the Gush Emunim movement has not altered Israel's position about settlements in the West Bank, limiting them to security dictates.

"While the Gush Emunim policy, especially the aspect of extra-legal activities, has made the life of the government more difficult internally, it has not altered our policy about the future," he explained.

He holds out hope that the Geneva conference will be resumed in the latter part of this year, but warned it would not be advisable to weigh expectations too high.

Shuls' future is in doubt

By A. J. ARNOLD

WINNIPEG —

The danger that Winnipeg's major synagogues may have to close their doors in 10 to 25 years is foreseen by Rabbi Shalom Rappaport, who was recently granted life tenure as the spiritual leader of Rosh Pina Congregation.

Rabbi Rappaport, who has now served with the Conservative Rosh Pina in Winnipeg for over 10 years, foresees the "separation of community and synagogue and the steady communalization of Jewish organizations" as one of the serious factors affecting the status of the synagogue.

However, the rabbi does not believe in simply placing the blame elsewhere. He is a strong advocate of a change in direction for the synagogue so that it will attract people who want to learn about Judaism and Jewish tradition, but who may have little or no interest in "going to shul to daven."

Another factor affecting not only the synagogue, but the entire community, is the dropping birthrate. He says that the Jewish birthrate in Winnipeg has now dropped to less than 50% of what it was in 1960. He points out that between 1960 and 1970, it dropped by 20%. Since 1970 the drop has accelerated to 35%.

During 1970-71, Rabbi Rappaport adds, 160 Jewish babies were born in Winnipeg, but in 1976 there were less than 100 births.

By comparison, the Jewish death rate in Winnipeg is going up gradually, but the ratio of births to deaths had widened so much that the birthrate is now half the death rate.

The birth and death statistics are among the significant factors contributing to a steady decline in Winnipeg's Jewish population of 18,000, according to the last census.

Another factor is the marriage rate, Rabbi Rappaport states. In 1969 and 1970 there were about 60 Jewish marriages in Winnipeg each year, but by 1976 this had dropped to about 34. This is due to the fact that there are less people of "marriageable age" and fewer members of that age group are getting married. An increasing number are now living together without marriage, or inter-marrying, he claims.

One third of the Jewish couples who do get married move away from the city within one year, according to Rappaport. He also disclosed that one rabbi in the city is now doing more divorces than marriages.

Turning to the situation in his own congregation, Rabbi Rappaport says the membership of Rosh Pina, the largest in the north end of Winnipeg, if not in the entire city, has leveled off at the 900 mark in the past three years.

Teens join

KITCHENER —

Those concerned about the future of Canadian Jewry can look at a recent development in Kitchener-Waterloo as a positive sign that there is hope for the younger generation.

During preparations for their annual UIA campaign, Chairman Ernie Raphael received an unusual and unprecedented request: several teenagers wanted to organize a youth division of the campaign.

For several years, in Kitchener-Waterloo, many parents brought their children to the annual campaign, and much to their parents' surprise, several children stood up and insisted on making their own pledges, to be paid out of their allowance or part-time job money.

This year, the teenagers wanted to organize themselves and to canvass within their peer group to reach the others who had not yet contributed.

Said Larry Wolynetz, 18, one of the key organizers: "I'm going to Israel to work on a kibbutz for six months when I graduate from high school. In the meantime, I feel the need to identity with and to contribute to Israel. Our Kitchener-Waterloo United Israel Appeal helps me do that."

Breakfast is held for Yeshiva U

BRANTFORD —

Beth David Congregation here recently sponsored a fund-raising breakfast for Yeshiva University. Conceived by spiritual leader Rabbi Everett Ackerman, a musmach of Yeshiva's Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, the breakfast was chaired by Morty Pekar.

Guest of honor was I. Ramer, who for decades has represented Torah Judaism in Brantford. Ramer was cited as representing the ideal of Yeshiva University in combining a life in the business world and maintaining his commitment to the practice of traditional Judaism.

Harry Freedman, who is leaving Brantford after many years of service to the congregation, was honored with a presentation.

Jerry Lauterbach, a candidate for ordination at Yeshiva U., delivered the main address at the event.

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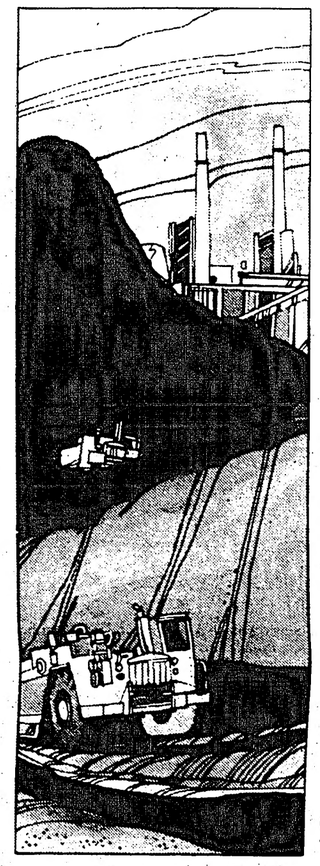

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CJC presidency

Two able men who have many times demonstrated their fitness for responsible leadership posts in the Jewish community are offering themselves as co-presidents of the Canadian Jewish Congress at the Plenary Assembly in Montreal. They are Rabbi W. Gunther Plaut and Professor Irwin Cotler.

There is nothing in the CJC constitution that permits a joint presidency, probably because such a situation was never envisaged as likely to come to pass. But constitutions are not sacred, untouchable documents, and when circumstances warrant — as we believe they do in the present instance — then a simple amendment to the CJC constitution would pave the way for Canadian Jewry to have the services of two outstanding leaders, instead of one. We hope that in the main the delegates will see it in this light, though it is clear that opposition will come from those who see no merit in a divided presidency. In any event, the delegates will have the last word.

The joint statement issued by Prof. Cotler and Rabbi Plaut, who have worked well together in other activities, speaks of a desire to serve Jewry and the wider national interest by "sharing the burdens of leadership." We believe there is much to be said for this point of view. The tasks confronting the Canadian Jewish Congress are growing more onerous, and a leadership shared by two of our most respected members seems to us a practical method of dealing with the burdens of office.

The 18th plenary is a testing time for Canadian Jewry. What comes out of the sessions devoted to numerous pressing problems will go far towards influencing our future course of action. Looming over the deliberations is the shadow of Quebec and the future of the Jewish community there. We have been challenged as never before and to be true to ourselves we must respond with every ounce of our energy to the demands posed by a dramatically changing society.

Guest Editorial

Politics of language

By HARRY EDEL & HENRY SREBRNIK

Language alone cannot be a guarantee of cultural survival for any national group, and there are nations like the Jews who have maintained their cultural heritage within the framework of a diversity of languages. There are also nations with common languages yet having diverse cultures — for example, England and the U.S., Holland and South Africa.

Attempts to use language as a means by which to 'reconquer' the economy can only be understood as a smokescreen. To use language in this sense thus refers, in fact if not in word, to people's ethnic and racial origins; such usage, if not explicitly racist, is certainly discriminatory.

A statement such as the one recently made by the Conseil des Hommes d'Affaires Quebecois (CHAQ), to the effect that the linguistic policy of the Levesque government is "the first step in the economic reconquest", is clearly unacceptable. Just as clearly to be rejected is the notion, implied in various parts of the White Paper on Language, that mere language retraining is only a first step and that "affirmative action" type measures would follow, "to reflect," in business firms, "at every level and in every function of their personnel the **ethnic** make-up of the population of Quebec".

Such a statement has no place in a 'Language White Paper'. To apply affirmative action today is tantamount to forcing people not responsible for the establishment of an unjust system to accept such responsibility on an ethnic basis.

The Quebec government — indeed, the entire French-Canadian nation living in Quebec — must also realize that they have absolutely no precedence or prior rights to Quebec by virtue either of their ethnic majority or because they arrived, and conquered, earlier.

It must be understood that everyone, regardless of language or ethnic origin of Quebec, is inherently entitled to remain and flourish and enjoy equal respect before the law. The PQ government must realize that, while pursuing its goal of making Quebec a French-speaking entity, it must do so not only in a generous but above all in a realistic and practical way. Specifically, this means more than merely paying lip service to the idea of making the French language the lingua franca; it also requires making concrete, institutional provisions for French language training. A simple example: intensive French immersion courses can be established, along the lines of the proven ulpan system in Israel.

Finally, the PQ should immediately take steps to clearly define certain key words so that they do not, whether by calculation or inadvertence, serve as code words of discriminatory practices against non-French Canadians living in Quebec.

The word 'francophone' should mean, simply, anyone who can communicate in French.

The word 'Quebecois' should refer to anyone who resides in Quebec.

Henry Srebrnik and Harry Edel teach at Dawson College in Montreal.

A severe challenge

Reports emanating from many quarters indicate that the Jewish family is undergoing severe strains. Marital breakdowns, separation and divorce are now serious problems for the Jewish people. Across the denominational spectrum the incidence of divorce among Jewish couples has become alarming.

How often does the modern rabbi have to officiate these days at Bar and Bat Mitzvahs where separated parents look on at their progeny from distant pews? The rabbi of yesteryear who used to spend his time adjudicating questions of Jewish law, now must spend a disproportionate amount of his pastoral work in counselling troubled spouses.

The much touted strength of the Jewish family, with its traditionally firm marriage bonds between husband and wife, is being sapped by the marital dislocations that have become a part of the modern Jewish life cycle. Two generations ago, divorce among Jewish couples was a rarity that carried with it much opprobrium. Today, divorce among Jewish couples is common and it occasions neither reproach nor scorn.

It would be easy to attribute the rise in marital instability to the general weakening of the religious ethic in modern society. Doubtless that is a factor. But divorce among Jews occurs both among the most assimilated and among the most punctiliously Orthodox. This suggests that there are reasons for marriage break-ups which go beyond the dimension of religious belief or practice.

Jews, of course, even the most sequestered among us, do not live in hermetically sealed environments. To choose to live in a Diaspora situation is to risk the dangers inherent in society. With the advantages of material rewards and spiritual blessings as well come also less desirable practices.

It would have been foolhardy to believe that the Jewish community could resist the social pressures against the family which have risen in the last two decades. The advent of women's liberation, the search for the meaning of self, the availability of work for women — these are but a few elements in the equation which explains why there are so many divorces today.

The situation in the Jewish community is merely reflective then of what is going on in society in general. There can be no specifically Jewish solution to the problem and yet as a minority group wrestling constantly with its survival, the Jewish people is now being faced with a challenge more severe than many of the persecutions of the past.

Israel has issued this coin to commemorate its 29th anniversary. It highlights the theme: Brotherhood in Jerusalem, capital of Israel. The coin is in Hebrew, Arabic and English.

'Yet basically there is unconscious discrimination'

Women slowly gain recognition

By TOBA KORENBLUM
[First of two parts]

TORONTO — While Jews formed the vanguard of the women's liberation movement in the last two decades, it is only now, paradoxically, that their own communal organizations are slowly recognizing the changing status of women in society.

Yet, in Canada, only a select few have women at their helm in a volunteer or professional capacity. Exclusive of women's-only groups, there is no national or regional organization with a woman president, no Zionist body, nor Israeli university, and only an isolated number of synagogues. Canadian Jewish Congress, touted as the Parliament of Canadian Jewry, hasn't a single national officer who is a woman.

There are only a handful of women in positions of power in the Jewish "civil service" or professional cadre — the majority, executives or administrators in the educational or social service field.

In religious life, the attitude ranges from Reform congregations which favor female ritual involvement to many Conservative and Orthodox synagogues where women are still disenfranchised.

The reason? According to a cross-section of women in organizational life, it's the women themselves who haven't had the will, along with traces of discrimination in mixed groups where the elite roles have been a male preserve.

"Women have been used — and abused," says Clara Balinsky, national president of the 116,000-member Hadassah-WIZO. "Organizations want to use women, but it's still a question of male chauvinism. They'll let the women do the nitty gritty 'women's work', like chairman of the arrangements committee. But, when it comes to important decisions, women as a rule are not represented."

Hadassah President Clara Balinsky

Dr. Reva Gerstein

She dismisses the charge from some quarters that women have displayed a lack of interest in assuming leadership roles. "Many women are very interested, but they're never asked," she says. "You absolutely have to fight. You have to be a clawing woman to get to the top."

And she's not optimistic about the prognosis, "as long as the hierarchy of men is going to allow decision-making by the professionals...They are partly afraid the women will become too greedy for their own power."

Illustrating an example of neglect of the women's contribution, she points to the recent meeting of a 10-man delegation with Premier Rene Levesque. "We were never asked for our opinion," she says annoyingly.

Notes one woman pioneer in the community, who preferred to remain anonymous: "Men are still in the infantile stage; they are an unenlightened group. And women still have the same old fears. They still carry the enslavement and they love it. The majority are much too afraid. They haven't enjoyed freedom long enough to appreciate that they should have rights."

It is not only a question of discrimination against women, she adds. "I won't mind living until I find Congress and Mount Sinai elect a poor man. Man likes power and he doesn't want to give it up; no more than the rich want to give power to the poor."

Ena Greengarten is the young executive director of the Friends of Pioneering Israel, and a member of the rare breed of women in such posts in the Jewish community. There has been little change in Jewish organizational structures, she says, to allow women representation in high-echelon roles.

(Some of the exceptions have been Eva Dessen, national director of the Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East, and Norine Daniels, a volunteer, who was the first general campaign manager for Israel Bonds in Toronto, and presently vice-president of the organization's Ontario Region.)

Although positions are available for members of women's groups, explains Ms Greengarten, "at times their participation is looked at as token...basically there is an unconscious discrimination, that is the same as in the general community..."I don't think young educated women will sit back any more," she says. "They are pushing for a more active role."

President of the Toronto Zionist Council, Helen Smolack, sees a greater measure of liberalization than the other spokesmen were willing to acknowledge. "Women are not only tolerated," she says, "but they are no longer even token. It's no longer a time of teas and luncheons. Women are looking for challenge and something to get their teeth into, something that captures the imagination."

One of a nucleus of Jewish female educators in the city, Roselyn Garber sees a new trend developing toward the hiring of women careerists in the community. Principal of Temple Emanu-El's religious school, she says she has never encountered opposition as a professional. A number of Reform congregations — Holy Blossom, Solel and Har Zion — and day schools have women in the posts of principal or educational director.

As far as lay leadership is concerned, Mrs. Garber says women "have been given second best. Men are not recognizing the fact that women can do the job."

"There is definitely discrimination within the synagogue," says Esther Goodbaum, president of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism, representing 15 sisterhoods in Ontario.

A self-confessed "woman from the old school", she notes there is considerable resistance on the part of men to women participating in religious services, despite the Rabbinical Assembly's motion that women can be included in a minyan.

There has not been a woman heading any of the 15 synagogues within her jurisdiction and many of the institutions do not allow women the vote. "Still," she says, "very underhandedly, the women are running the synagogue, raising more money than brotherhoods, which are just a status thing, and they are getting the mortgage off the synagogue's back."

(Henrietta Chesnie broke tradition as Canada's first woman to head a synagogue — Holy Blossom. In Ontario, Rochelle Simons leads Cambridge's small Orthodox B'nei Israel, and Connie Reisman is president of Ottawa's Temple Israel.)

The degree to which women have been allowed representation in organizational life depends on the strength of the Orthodox vote, says Dr. Reva Gerstein, a former national president of the National Council of Jewish Women.

"The history and roots of the Jewish people, back to the shtetl, do carry this thing of the man being more dominant."

One of the first women to address a synagogue from the pulpit (at the McCaul St. shul), Dr. Gerstein says ironically she was accepted "because of my scholarship and knowledge, not my sex."

[Next: The crisis in volunteerism]

Italian-born Modigliani drew artistic inspiration from life of destitution

Landmark Events In Our History

By ROCHELLE CARR

Paris on May 13, 1906 was a haven for budding artists. One such artist, who had arrived in the French capital at the beginning of the year, was the colorful Amedeo Modigliani from Leghorn, Italy.

Modigliani attained the summit of artistic recognition; unfortunately most came after his early death at the age of 35 in 1920.

Flaminio Modigliani, a small businessman and his wife, Eugenia Garsin Modigliani of Spanish descent, had three other children besides their artist son. The eldest, Vittorio Emanuele, was a lawyer and politician. His socialist activities at one time landed him in jail and at other times earned him a seat in the Italian Parliament. As well, there were Margherita and Umberto, an engineer.

But history best remembers the youngest, known to family and friends as Dedo. Even before his Bar Mitzvah he began showing a great interest and talent in art. Influenced by the artistic atmosphere of Italy, Modigliani studied in various places including Florence and Venice.

By the time he reached Paris he was caught between a desire to be a sculptor and the sometimes easier means of earning a livelihood from painting. With his ever-present corduroy jacket he wandered between Montmartre and Montparnasse painting, sculpting, meeting people like his Jewish artist friend from Vilna, Chaim Soutine, or going to Gertrude Stein's where the portly lady held court for budding, yet mainly impoverished, writers and artists, like Modigliani.

Although the world of art and the bohemian lifestyle of Paris' artists in those days occupied most of his time, he never forgot his Jewish birth, to the point where he vociferously attacked French anti-Semites like Edouard Drumont.

While in France, and to a lesser extent in Italy, Modigliani produced such famous works as the Standing Nude 1908, the Jewess 1907, the Beggar of Leghorn 1909, the Bride and Groom 1915 and numerous portraits of people he knew, all the while living a life heavily influenced by the drugs and alcohol that were so readily available in the world in which he moved.

This, plus poor nutrition, as a result of an in-and-out state of poverty, as well as signs of tuberculosis complicated by a lesion on a lung from an earlier bout of typhoid, caused his early death. Some argued that his wild life helped the artist in him to create the long cylindrical necks, the pathetically sad eyes and the exaggerated oval faces seen on many of his paintings.

This is "Portrait of the Young Girl Elvira" done by Amedeo Modigliani, 1919.

Domestic issues will dominate plenary

By J. B. SALSBERG

I believe that the 18th plenary assembly will be the first one in the history of the Canadian Jewish Congress to be dominated by our worrisome concerns with domestic, purely Canadian issues.

This will, in no wise, indicate a lessening of interest or a diminution of responsibility on the part of Canadian Jews towards Israel or other international Jewish concerns. Those problems and challenges will, I'm sure, receive the full attention they deserve from the assembled delegates of the Jewish communities in this country.

I am also certain that the representatives of our people — from St. John's, on the Atlantic, to Victoria, on the Pacific — will not hesitate to assume all the financial, moral and political responsibilities that are necessary to safeguard Israel and to protect the threatened Jewish communities elsewhere. Canadian Jewry will at this assembly, as it has always done before, uphold its well-deserved record and reputation in the Jewish world.

But I suspect that this plenary assembly will do all that more routinely — though no less sincerely — than ever before. And that will be the case because uppermost in the mind of every delegate will be the future of Canada and, more specifically, the future of the Jewish community in Quebec, the host of this assembly and the community that cradled and nurtured the Canadian Jewish Congress from its birth. It couldn't be otherwise and any pretense to the contrary would be an act of self-deception.

Should the umbrella organization of Canadian Jewry deal with the crucial and immediate problem of Canadian unity, which is the concern of all Canadians? In my opinion, the assembly can hardly avoid this issue since, in addition to everything else, the future of fully one-third of all Canadian Jews — and the key third, at that — is directly and immediately involved.

It is true that Congress has always, and quite wisely, maintained a neutral political stance, except when the democratic rights or the safety and well-being of Jews at home or abroad were threatened. Beyond this, every individual Jew in this country always feels free to exercise his rights as a Canadian to join with all other like-minded citizens of every race, faith or class to advance his chosen political or social objectives.

That is the way it should be. But who can logically argue that there is no special Jewish concern in the outcome of the present confrontation affecting the future of Canada? There definitely is such a special concern and we cannot pretend otherwise.

I incline to the view that Congress is not called upon to conduct an independent political campaign for a federalist Canada. That goal should be left to each Jewish person to pursue in unison with others and through channels that are most appealing to him.

But the plenary session, assembled at this crucial hour and in Montreal at that, would, in my opinion, be fully justified in asserting, on behalf of all of us, the Canadian Jewish community's dedication to the cause of one and undivided Canada. (Leaders of Congress need not be reminded by me that such a declaration would, of course, acknowledge the need for a re-negotiated federalism that would provide the requisites for safeguarding the linguistic, cultural and social rights and opportunities for French Canada in Quebec and elsewhere in this country.)

And what of our kin in Montreal and elsewhere in Quebec; they who are so profoundly and so directly affected by the challenge of separatism and extreme nationalism? It is, of course, their right and duty to formulate policies and to decide on the means to pursue them in the province of Quebec. Fortunately, they have a well-functioning Quebec section of Congress, headed by experienced leaders whose roots go deep into the soil and history of Quebec. They know best what needs to be done in their province.

It seems to me that within the framework of Congress' central position — for confederation — this plenary session can only express its confidence in the objectives of the Quebec Jewish community and pledge to it our complete support. The decision-making must come from the Quebec section of Congress.

And so, the Plenary Assembly will, as usual, listen to Jewish dignitaries, specialists and leaders from around the world who will analyse, inform and prognosticate on what is unquestionably important to Jews around the world, including ourselves. Those men of prominence are worth listening to and they will certainly enrich our awareness of things Jewish.

But, I am ready to wager that the most eagerly listened-to guest speaker will be Premier Rene Levesque of Quebec. All eyes and ears will be turned in his direction and with good reason.

I also believe that this will be the first time in the history of Congress that a Canadian political figure will have acquired the complete focus of attention at a plenary assembly. This will be an important first in Canadian Jewish affairs and, as I have said earlier, with good reason....

But, be ye all of good cheer! I'm optimistic about our future in this country, and that includes Quebec. Remember also that this is the 18th Congress assembly and 18, as we all know, equals Chai and Chai as we also know means Life. So, to life!

Len Fine loads rocket into mortar somewhere in Israel during War of Independence. Watching him, from left: Hy Klein (Edmonton), Hank Meirovitch (Winnipeg), Jacky Belkin, kneeing (Calgary) and Harry Bagelman (Toronto). About 1,000 Canadians belonged to Mahal.

Men of Mahal fought for Israel, the land where their hearts dwelled

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

They belonged to Mahal, the Hebrew acronym describing the foreign volunteers who fought on the Israeli side before and during the 1948 War of Independence.

Most of the 5,000 young men who joined Mahal (Mitnaddevei Huz le-Arez), were Jews. Yet quite a scattering were non-Jewish veterans of World War II who were drawn to the Zionist cause by sentiment and ideology. Upwards of 1,000 Canadians from across the country volunteered their services to the beleaguered Yishuv, and 11 were killed in action.

The Canadians who risked life and limb for the nascent Jewish state were almost all under 30, unmarried and unencumbered by family obligations. Some of them were committed Zionists; others were not. A few went to Palestine because they had nothing better to do at home and sought adventure, others went because the Holocaust had had a deep effect on them.

A handful were university students, but the majority were working men trying to rebuild their lives in Canada after having served in the Canadian armed forces in the last war.

Once they got to embattled Palestine, these idealists – and adventurers – fulfiled a wide range of roles. They swelled the ranks of the navy, army and air force. They bore arms in the Galilee, in the coastal plain and in the desert regions. They took part in outmoded bayonet charges and in tank battles. They repaired tanks and trucks and assembled jeeps from scrap parts.

They remained in Israel for various lengths of time. But in the end all but a few returned to their mothers, fathers, sisters, brothers, uncles, aunts, cousins, friends and girlfriends, though a fair number married Israeli women.

Mahal's chief contribution to the war effort was in organizing and staffing the air force. Ben Dunkelman, a Torontonian who commanded Israel's Seventh Brigade, says one of Mahal's contributions was "in stiffening up the Hagannah. They were a tremendous factor as far as morale was concerned. They gave the Israelis a remarkable boost."

Twenty-nine years after the outbreak of the first Arab–Israeli war, how do these Canadian volunteers recall their experiences? What impact, if any, did it have on their lives?

Moe Schwartz, 52, was 23 and an air force veteran when he arrived in Palestine in March of 1948. He wasn't a Zionist at the time, but he felt he had a duty to volunteer. "What could have happened to the Jews of Palestine, if they had lost, didn't sit well with me," he said.

At first, he served with a marine commando unit, but later was shifted into the newly-formed armored corps as a gunner. Schwartz, who runs a body shop today, participated in a big tank battle at El Arish in the northern Sinai. "We went in with three old tanks, lost one, or a third of the armored corps, in the first five minutes." He fought alongside a few British army deserters who were attracted to the idea of a Jewish state.

Schwartz stayed in Israel for two years, helping to set up the first tank workshops. "I became a Zionist, much to my surprise," he says. He's been back to Israel five times since leaving.

For Barry Ross, joining Mahal was "an ideological matter. I didn't agree with the way the British were exercising their mandate, and the Holocaust convinced me that a Jewish state had the right to be born and exist."

A pilot with the Royal Canadian Air Force during the Second World War, Ross flew cargo from Europe to Israel during the fighting. "The spirit in the Israeli air force was great," he remembers. He served with a number of non-Jewish Canadians. "They really felt that the Jews had been exposed to an injustice during the Holocaust," says the 54-year-old businessman. "They thought they should help. They pretty well cleared the air of the Egyptian air force. Ezer Weizman — the former commander of the air force — was part of the squadron."

Len Fine, 60, was 30 when he volunteered. "If Jews didn't help each other, who would?" The five-year veteran of the Canadian army served under Ben Dunkelman. He stayed for eight months, returned in 1954 with an oil drilling company ("I didn't find oil but I found gold, my wife Shoshana"), left after 2½ years, went back a third time in 1960, lost some $25,000 in a business venture and came back to Canada in 1963.

A real estate agent, Fine says he would give his son his blessing if he decided to join the Israeli army.

Len Fine, 29 years later

Jerry Rosenberg is director of synagogues for the United Jewish Appeal. He fought with the Gvati Regiment, then was transferred to a naval craft which shelled enemy positions in Lebanon, Gaza and the Sinai. "I felt that since I had acquired battle experience in the Canadian army, it was my duty to go over."

After the 1948 war, he taught Israeli naval cadets for a couple of years. "I went back to Toronto with the idea of returning, but one thing led to another and I didn't." What impact did the war have on him? "I can identify more with my people; it led me to delve into my past."

Gordon Quitt, 50, served in the Galilee with Dunkelman, and participated in the Israeli army's first — and perhaps last — bayonet charge in August of 1948. "I felt it my duty as a Jew to do something rather than sit around in Toronto. I thought my Canadian army training could be put to use."

He adds, "I never thought of settling there. I went over with only one thought — that Israel must exist. The effect it had on me was enormous. It made me realize that, for the first time in 2,000 years, we could walk with our heads up...I felt very privileged to have been given the opportunity to see the birth of a nation."

Today, Quitt is the general manager of a construction company.

Robert Eisen, 49, was studying political science and economics at the University of Toronto. He was 20 when he volunteered. "I was deeply committed to the establishment of a Jewish state and to a Jewish cultural renaissance...I was young and unencumbered...My mother got into a very terrible flap when I told her I was going, but in the end she took it well, as the right thing to do."

He was a corporal in the infantry and a wireless operator. He remained in Israel for 10 months, then resumed his studies. Today he is a lawyer, married to an Israeli, the former Judith Baum of Tel Aviv.

Reflecting on his experience he says: "I saw it as part of my service to the Jewish people and I'd want my kids to contribute something to Israel, too. I felt that I was part of history in the making."

Sol Freeman, 57, says he didn't "have much going for me" after the Second World War. "A recruiter approached me and I decided I wanted to go. Sure, kicks were part of it." He stayed six months and worked as a mechanic. "I built a jeep for my company commander," he says. "I had no desire to stay. I felt Canadian..."

Freeman, who owns a body shop with an Israeli partner, says the experience "made me more conscious of my Jewishness."

Irving Matlow, 49, was a U of T student in 1948. "The cause was very important to me. I come from a Zionist family," he says. Like some of his fellow volunteers, he received some military training in France at a Hagannah camp. He fought with Eisen in the Galilee. A drygoods wholesaler, Matlow has been to Israel 20 times since 1948.

"The war had no special impact on me. My commitment to Israel has always been unwavering."

Ben Ocopnick, 52, executive director of the Ontario United Israel Appeal, helped illegal Jewish immigrants get to Palestine a year and a half before the 1948 war began. During the war itself, he fought at Latrun, Rehovot and Ashkelon. He was in Israel for one year. "I became aware of the necessity for the survival of a Jewish state. That's how the war influenced me."

Air force veteran Moe Schwartz

Letters to the Editor

Anti-Pole 'hate campaign' said exemplified by article

Dear Editor:

The Canadian Jewish News published in the edition Friday, April 8, 1977 an article under the title "Can we forget past, in favor of co-operation on human rights?" by Sheldon Kirshner.

It is truly disturbing and saddening that this article is a perfect example of the "hate campaign" against, among others, Poles and Canadians of Polish origin. In most statements it uses untrue facts and employs reticence to show a point. This whole article serves no purpose, unless its aim is to excite hate, hostility and misunderstanding among people. This seems to be true when one analyzes the title of this article in which the memory of the past appears to be set against the co-operation on human rights.

Leaving the drawing of a conclusion to the general public we wish to add:

We would not deny that there was some anti-Semitism in Poland before the war but the extent of it was no greater than in Canada, the United States or in Western Europe. The sickness was universal in the Western world. What is most disgusting in your article, however, is the insinuation that Poles were responsible for the slaughter of Jews in German concentration camps located in Poland and the implication that the only victims of those concentration camps were Jews.

The truth, however, is that a great number of victims were Poles. We are stressing this fact not for the purpose of playing a numbers game but to indicate that during these sad times both the Polish and Jewish people suffered the most inhuman agonies and it does not serve any useful purpose to shift the blame for those atrocities from the Nazi perpetrators to fellow victims.

The truth also is that Poles during the Second World War protected and saved in Poland many Jewish lives at the risk of the life and freedom of their own and their families. Examples of this are numerous and can easily be proved.

The terrible experience of both Jews and Poles during the war should have created a common bond between them, a bond which was forged not only in concentration camps but also as brothers-in-arms, since in numerous battles Polish Jews fought side by side with us against the common oppressors. Instead, your article fans the ancient hatreds.

Z. Szpikowski, secretary-general,
W. Gertler, national president,
Canadian Polish Congress,
Toronto

Dear Editor:

I would like to respond to two statements in the columns of your weekly in recent weeks. One was in a letter from Klaus Herrmann, who states that Canadian Jewish Congress officially represents all persons of Jewish ethnic origin including those of Christian religion.

Without going into the vagaries of the Canadian census of 1971 (not 1970 as the professor erroneously mentions), I hardly think it should be necessary to point out that Congress has never at any time claimed to speak for anyone other than those who are acknowledged by all normal and accepted definitions to be Jews.

This would clearly exclude any who have acquired another religion and should be clear to all, even to the learned professor. Perhaps he was exposed to a new definition at his meeting in Libya last year, which was addressed by Mouamar Qaddafi.

The other point I wish to make briefly is in respect to Sholom Schwartzbard and Petlura. One of those interviewed in a recent edition of the CJN referred to Schwartzbard as a Bolshevik agent, a charge sometimes blandly bandied about. In all that I have read of the life story of Schwartzbard, written by both admirers and detractors, nowhere was there ever any evidence offered that would link him with the Soviet government or the Communist Party and there is not an iota of proof for the description.

B.G. Kayfetz, executive director,
Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region

Dear Editor:

I read with interest the recent column by J.B. Salsberg dealing with the Holocaust remembrance service at the Beth Tzedec and opening game of the Toronto Blue Jays.

I would like to take this opportunity to point out that there are young men in the Jewish community who are attempting to create a permanent memorial to the Holocaust. The sons and sons-in-law of the members of the Zaglembier Society of Toronto, an organization of survivors of the Holocaust, have recently formed a young men's division of that society.

These young men are deeply interested in establishing a Holocaust library in Toronto, to serve as a central repository for any and all materials dealing with or related to the Holocaust such as books, photographs, documents, etc. and to make such materials readily accessible to the public.

It is hoped that such a library would serve as a catalyst for increasing awareness in the Jewish community, especially among the young, and the community at large about the dimensions and emphasis of the Holocaust. Moreover, such a collection would greatly assist in refuting the present flood of books calling the Holocaust a hoax, a fabrication and a lie.

Anyone interested in assisting in the establishment of such a library and anyone having knowledge of materials dealing with the Holocaust that would be useful in such a library is asked to call Eric Gertner at either 783-4184 or 868-0080.

Eric Gertner,
Toronto

Question is not which of Israel's parties, but which coalition, will form government?

By HOWARD GRIEF

As the Israeli election approaches on May 17, there appears to be no sure winner. Each of the front running parties, Labor under its new leader, Defence Minister Shimon Peres, and Likud under its charismatic but ailing chieftain, Menachem Begin, may emerge on top with only a slight difference in seats between them.

There is even the possibility of a virtual deadlock in the number of seats won by each party. If this situation arises, the president of Israel would then call upon the party which polled the largest number of popular votes to attempt to form a government. Current estimates give each party a range of seats between 35 and 40 with no one sure which will come out first.

The Labor party has lost the most ground since the last election held on Dec. 31, 1973 when it captured 51 seats. The sensational scandals which have enveloped the party over the last year involving its leading figures will hurt the party badly at the polls. The depressed state of the economy and constant strikes in the labor sector will also cost it many votes.

The most certain result of the election is that Labor for the first time will lose its dominant position as the super party of Israeli politics. Even if it comes out first in the voting, it will not have sufficient strength to have its way in the Knesset as it has had in the past without great assistance from the runner up parties. Labor will, therefore, have to share its power and make more concessions than ever before, assuming it can still form a government after May 17.

The most interesting situation would arise if Likud rather than Labor emerges with a plurality of seats or votes. If Likud just maintains its present strength of 40 seats, it may replace Labor as the leading party. There are several possible ways Likud could form a government were it to emerge from the election with the largest number of seats. It could form a national unity government with Labor, its chief rival. It could also form a coalition government with the new centre party of Yigael Yadin, the Democratic Movement For Change. Yadin has already said he would consider forming a government with Likud, to which would also be added the National Religious Party.

The question of defections will certainly arise after the election, particularly if, as predicted, it is very close. Defections and breakups may hit all parties, including both Labor and Likud, which contain people of diverse beliefs and goals, held together by the prospect of power and self-interest.

Uncertainty has arisen over Likud's chances by the unexpected illness of Begin, which will force him to cut down on the hectic campaigning which normally precedes an election. Although the party may suffer by this development, Begin being its greatest asset and drawing card, the Likud will still get its message across to the Israeli voter that the time is ripe for a change of government after 29 years.

The number of seats that both Labor and Likud get will be affected significantly by the size of vote won by Yigael Yadin's DMC party. This is probably the greatest unknown in the election. Current predictions give the DMC anywhere between 12 and 25 seats. The larger its share of votes, the less Likud may win. Votes lost by Labor which may have gone to Likud could be diverted instead to the DMC. However, it is probably safer to put the eventual number of DMC seats on the lower side of the scale rather than higher.

The National Religious Party has been part of every Israeli government since the beginning and may be expected to join whichever government is formed, whether led by Labor or Likud. Some observers have pointed out that the NRP may not be needed in the new government if Yadin's party wins enough seats to enable a Labor-DMC majority government to be formed, but this prospect does not appear likely.

The present election will be the most important one in Israel's history. The new government will be called upon to make critical decisions which will affect the future borders of Israel, the question of peace or war with the neighboring Arab states and the continuation of American government support. The shape and direction of the Jewish state will itself be decided and this will affect the future of the entire Jewish people. The eyes of the world will therefore be focused on Israel on May 17 to observe the election's outcome which is still very much in doubt.

Howard Grief, an occasional contributor to these columns, is a Montreal lawyer and a member of the national executive of Herut Hatzohar of Canada.

These are key figures of the 1967 Israeli election to be held next week. They are Labor's Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Rabin (top), Likud's Menachem Begin and DMC's Yigael Yadin.

'Negative stereotyping marred historian's work about Abraham Gradis'

By ABRAHAM J. ARNOLD
[Third of a series]

There is no denying that Abraham Gradis did have special dealings with Francois Bigot. In his biography of the Intendant, Guy Fregault relates that eight months after Bigot's arrest, along with 55 of his associates who served with him in Canada, Gradis was visited by two agents of the minister of war. They were armed with a letter "ordering the Jewish merchant to open his books or pay the penalty for refusal and to surrender any items necessary for the case." Gradis complied and "gave them accurate and useful answers" on his relationship with Bigot.

After a two-year delay Bigot and company were found guilty. The sentence for him was confiscation of his property, a fine of 1,000 livres (pounds), restitution payment of a million and a half livres and banishment from France for life. He is said to have amassed a much larger fortune and banishment turned out to be exile in Switzerland.

Denis Vaugeois brings a different interpretation to bear on the Bigot-Gradis relationship in the chapter of his book dealing with the Gradis family and in a subsequent paper on Francois Bigot, his exile and death, published in **La Revue d'Histoire de l'Amerique Francaise.**

Vaugeois ignores Fregault's comments about the testimony given by Gradis to the government agents and the fact that the irregularities between Bigot and Gradis were placed in evidence at the trial. He asserts that Bigot testified against all his accomplices except Gradis and he wonders how the latter managed to "escape the attention of the judges?"

"This point is so troublesome," Vaugeois adds, "that it could easily cast doubt on his (Gradis') guilt." Apparently he is not satisfied with the way in which Fregault has corrected the record about the royalist patriotism of Abraham Gradis. He wants to drag Gradis into the scapegoat circle retroactively.

Apparently, to achieve this goal he discloses that a sister of Bigot was married to Pierre de Raynier, "alias Reinach, who was of Jewish origin," and that Bigot's nephew from that marriage assisted him during and after his trial and acted as go-between with Gradis.

Vaugeois suggests that all he is trying to do is to "clarify certain secondary aspects" of Fregault's biography. What he has done however is to imply some sinister Jewish motive. Moreover in a further chapter of his book, about Jews on the British side in the Seven Years War, he concludes with some clearly negative comments and he himself concedes that he may be giving new ammunition to anti-Semites.

In concluding his paper in **La Revue d'Histoire**, Vaugeois states that it is with "good conscience" that he has raised the problem of the Bigot-Gradis relations before and after the trial of the former. He concedes however that after two centuries it will probably never be possible to clarify the exact facts.

It is just because the facts are imprecise that the historical importance of Abraham Gradis has been given different emphasis depending on the historian. For the historian is, after all, but a reflector of the past in the mirror of his own time, and of his own place.

In this way an early 20th century writer such as de Maupassant, impressed with the glories of Bordeaux during the royal regime, could see Gradis as a French patriot. And in the same way B.G. Sack was able to reinterpret Gradis' "patriotism" as an unrecognized accomplishment by a Jew in Canadian history.

If Denis Vaugeois however reconsiders his embellishment of the role of Gradis, his conscience might not rest so easy because he may realize that he has fallen prey to a negative historical stereotype about the Jews. As he now sits close to the centre of power in Quebec it is to be hoped that Vaugeois will see the importance of reconsidering his own position.

Organizations and People

what's new...

BY MIRIAM HERMAN

Beth Tzedec Congregation high school student David Hamburger knots tzizit of tallis under instructions from teacher David Mann. The tallesim will be sent to Jew in Syria who requested them. This is class project at Beth Tzedec school.

SYNAGOGUE OFFICERS

Shaarei Shomayim Congregation officers for 1977-78 are: Dr. Archie Richmond, president; Louis Zeifman and Dr. Marvin Gerstein, vice-presidents; Benjamin Stark, treasurer, and Dr. Bernard Green, secretary.

GALA ART AUCTION

A gala art auction will be presented on Sunday, May 15, by Adas Israel Synagogue in Hamilton, with the preview at 7 p.m. Among the Canadian artists whose work will be for sale is Gary Slipper, who once taught at Hamilton Jewish Community Centre. Also for sale will be works by William Kurelek, Harold Town, Ken Danby, Jack Bush as well as international artists.

MOTHER-IN-ISRAEL TEA

Also on the 15th, at 2 p.m., will be the Mizrachi Women's annual "Mother-in-Israel" tea at the Baycrest Terrace. Proceeds go to provide education and care for underprivileged children in nurseries and schools in Israel. Ben Lappin, professor of social work at Bar-Ilan University, will speak following the tea.

CHILDREN'S DEVELOPMENT

The adult education committee of Eitz Chaim's Mothers' Association presents a panel discussion on "Emotional Security and Mental Development for our Children" on May 17 at 8:30 in the school's Patricia branch (in the shul). Speakers are Rabbi Meyer Berglas of Shaarei Tefillah and Dr. Harvey Narrol, professor of applied psychology at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education.

CELLIST FEATURED

The Registered Music Teachers Association, North York branch, presents cellist Janet Horvath, assisted by pianist Arthur Rowe, in concert at Edward Johnson Building, Waller Hall, May 16 at 8:30 p.m.

BB'S SWEEPSTAKES

One dollar will give you a chance to win $25,000 in the B'nai B'rith Sweepstakes, or perhaps one of the five $1,000 consolation prizes. The more tickets you buy, the more chances you get, so get them at the Sweepstakes signs or from any BB member. The draw is June 24.

DISCO DANCE

Toronto Social Action and Disco Unlimited is having a dance (ages 21-29) Saturday, the 14th, at 8 p.m. at 19 Hillmount Ave. (Bathurst and Glencairn area).

JERUSALEM REUNIFICATION

At Beth Sholom next week are several events of interest. On the 15th, there will be a celebration of the 10th anniversary of the reunification of Jerusalem with singer Ethel Aloni, the movie **The Mad Adventures of Rabbi Jacob**, and refreshments. And on the 17th, single parents are invited to come to the synagogue at 8:15 to hear Dr. Robert Simmons, staff psychiatrist at the Hospital for Sick Children and co-ordinator of a project on the custody of children in divorce actions. His topic is "Divorce — Do you feel it's worth the effort?" For more information on both events, call Rabbi Meir Gottesman at 783-6103.

HOSPITALS AND MEDICINE

Sunday, May 15, is Hospital Day, and Branson Hospital in North York will be conducting tours, teaching health programs, demonstrating equipment, testing blood pressure, etc. from 11 to 4.... The annual spring meeting of the Mount Sinai Hospital Auxiliary takes place on the 18th at 12:30 at the Hyatt Regency. Rabbi Jordan Pearlson is guest speaker ....The Canadian Foundation of Ileitis and Colitis holds its Toronto annual general meetings on the 18th at 8:30 p.m. in the main auditorium of Mt. Sinai. Dr. J.E. Lennard Jones, London gastroentologist, will be guest speaker.

SCHOOL MUSICAL

The United Synagogue Day School Theatre Arts Group production of the musical **Oliver** goes on stage Wednesday, May 18, at 8 p.m. at Beth Tikvah Synagogue. The cast of 25 high school students is directed by Stephen Merkel.

DRAMATIC HISTORY

The Modern Singles group (ages 23-45) of the Labor Zionist Alliance is having a discussion and dance Sunday, May 15, at the LZA centre. The discussion, beginning at 8:10 p.m., deals with "Violence — Gun-running — Survival," with Max Brown, Toronto businessman who was mentioned in the book, **The Pledge**. Dance follows at 9:25 with disc jockey Mickey Kay.

'Y' ACTIVITIES

The tennis club at the northern 'Y' has opened officially....Now is the time to register for the summer arts program at the Koffler Centre for the Arts, and the ceramics program which is also available at the Bloor 'Y'....The Young Adult Pub Disco Dance will be held at northern 'Y' on the 15th at 8:30 with sounds by Mickey Kay.

A British sinologist makes the fastest scones, brownies columnist has seen

בתאבון

bon appetit

By MARCIA KRETZMER

(Carol Gooter photograph)

Jonathan Lubell sells his T-shirts in his shop, Lord Kitsch, in Jerusalem.

JERUSALEM — Jerusalem, as everyone knows, is the city of peace and the city of gold. What is not such common knowledge is that the capital is also a great city for T-shirts.

Canadians who have visited Israel in groups may already be aware of this, as they have probably borne home as trophies, T-shirts custom-made for their tour.

The people who supplied them were in all likelihood Jonathan Lubell and William White, originally from England, who have been in the T-shirt business for years. Now joined by a Welsh-born lawyer, Malcolm Edwards, alias Moshe Admon, they have just opened Lord Kitsch, a swinging T-shirt boutique in downtown Jerusalem's Ben-Hillel Street.

There, to the accompaniment of hard rock and soft folk music, men, women and children crowd in to buy the newest in T-shirts, sweatshirts, and handmade aprons and purses.

Favorite designs are doves with an olive branch and the word "Shalom", the Hebrew alphabet, Hebrew street signs and traffic signs, and of course, the name of THAT drink in Hebrew.

Co-owner Jonathan Lubell is responsible for the best and zaniest T-shirt designs coming out of Israel today — the T-shirt featuring Idi Amin mouthing "Col Ha-Kavod L'Zahal" (Good for the IDF) was his.

A graphic artist, TV studio manager and educational film maker, he is former editor of the successful English-language satirical magazine Lillit (no relation to the American feminist publication) which he hopes to start up again one of these days. Four more branches of Lord Kitsch are now in the offing, but the owners of Lord Kitsch are somewhat bewildered over their success.

Says Jonathan: "We only went into this as a sort of hobby really, and to make money to finance more serious pursuits such as film-making or starting up Lillit again."

Wife Pamela, a former sinologist, also from England, is presently into day-care, having turned her attention from China-watching to child-watching.

Off-duty, too, her apartment teems with kids. Some arrive to play with the Lubells' two children, Noam, 5, and Yoel, 2½. Many turn up for no ostensible reason, but enjoy snooping round Pamela's kitchen, where English-style, she prepares tea at four o'clock.

Pamela makes the fastest scones and brownies I have ever seen, and here are the recipes. Eat the scones piping hot from the oven with butter and strawberry jam — Pamela says Jonathan's auntie adds a generous blob of clotted cream.

Adults like them with good, strong British tea, and children prefer them with orange squash.

Pamela's Brownies

4 oz. bittersweet chocolate
1/2 cup margarine (generous)
1 1/2 cups sugar
3 eggs
1 tsp. vanilla essence
1/2 cup chopped walnuts
1 cup self-raising flour

1. melt chocolate and margarine together over low light till creamy. Remove from fire and add sugar, vanilla, eggs, walnuts and flour
2. turn into an 8" x 8" square baking pan, greased. Bake in a preheated oven at 300° for 25 mins. or till top and sides are crisp and flaky and inside is soft. Makes about 16 small squares

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Pamela's Scones

2 cups flour
4 tsps. baking powder
1 tsp. salt
4 tblsps. margarine
1 heaped tblsp. sugar
1/3 cup raisins
2/3 cup buttermilk or one small container plain yoghurt

1. sift dry ingredients into a bowl, then rub margarine in with fingertips until mixture resembles crumbs. Then stir in buttermilk or yoghurt, then raisins
2. mix until dough leaves sides of bowl, then either roll out and stamp into rounds, or take tblsps. of dough and place on greased cookie sheet. Bake in preheated oven at 450° —475° for 12 mins. or till lightly browned. Brushing with egg or milk prior to baking, improves their appearance. Makes one plateful: about 16. Serve hot from oven with butter and jam or honey

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Among the keynote speakers at a major conference on the Holocaust in Baltimore, May 25 and 26, is **Emil Fackenheim**, University of Toronto philosophy professor. It is being sponsored by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Baltimore Jewish Council. Other speakers include Prof. Franklin Littel and Irving Greenberg.

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Toronto Hebrew Memorial Park (Pardes Shalom Cemetery) has appointed **William Miltenberg** as superintendent. It is anticipated the cemetery will be operating by June 15.

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Appointed to the board of directors of the World Council of Synagogues is **Harvey M. Haber**, president, Ontario Region, United Synagogue of America. The Council is the umbrella organization of Conservative Judaism. Mr. Haber is founding president of Beth Tikvah Synagogue.

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At the Thornhill Community Centre Library (Bayview and John) until the end of the month are 22 pieces by Toronto artist **Suzanne Forgang Miller**. Her works are batik on cotton and silk with added fabric painting and printing, stitchery and quilting.

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Toronto Regional Council of B'nai B'rith has installed **Murray Zeidenberg** as president. A past president of Manor Metropolitan Lodge, he succeeds **William Grosberg**. Vice presidents are **Sam Goldberg, Gary S. Kay** and **Michael Barchash**.

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Ron Appleby, Gordon Cooper and **Stanley Taub** will be tax consultants at the buffet supper and seminar on estate planning to be held for members of the health club at the northern 'Y' building on May 17 at 8:45 p.m. Members of the technical advisory committee of United Jewish Welfare Fund endowment program will be on hand to answer questions.

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The fifth-ranked under-21 tennis player in Canada, **Steve Rogul** of Toronto, has been named athlete of the year at Miami's Dade County Community College. Mr. Rogul, 20, has been the number one player with the school's team in junior college competition. He is a Canadian Maccabiah Games prospect.

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Toronto's Israel Bonds announces the appointment of **Miles M. Halberstadt** to serve as chairman of the lawyer's division, a group that has been drawing support from the younger crowd. Heading the doctors' division will be co-chairmen, **Howard Langer** and **Vivian Chrom**, leading the canvass of hospital colleagues. Their program this year will also be directed to doctors unaffiliated with local hospitals.

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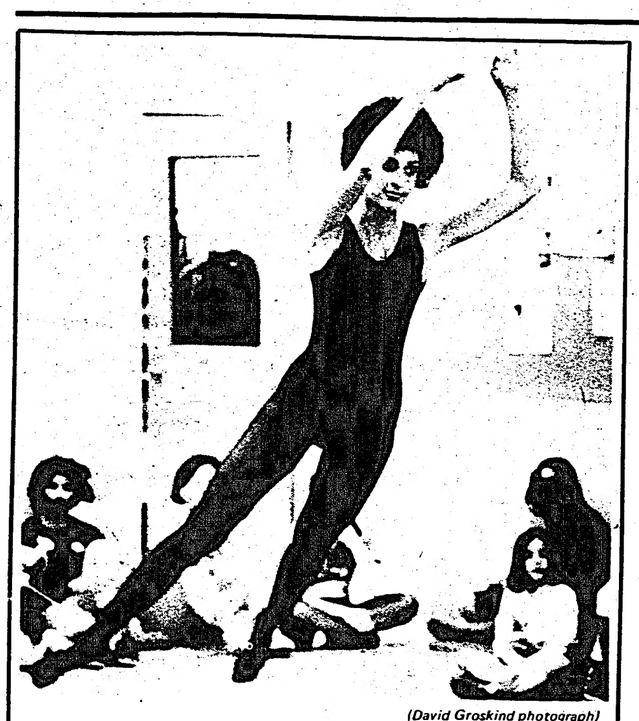

(David Groskind photograph)

Gymnast Felicia Zagdanski, a grade nine student at Associated, shows excellent gymnastic form, at open house at Toronto Hebrew Day School.

'Y' may be forced to curtail membership

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

TORONTO —
The 15,000-member Toronto YM-YWHA, which is officially opening its new facilities next month, is considering curtailing its membership.

In an interview, Marty Park, the 'Y's new director, told The Canadian Jewish News that membership, which has grown by 3,000 in the last six months, is being monitored very closely and "in the near future, we might have to consider curtailing certain spheres." For example, there may be a limit put on a number of classes as a first move.

Park, a 40-year-old Montrealer who took over his position from David Andrews earlier this year, revealed there are already bottlenecks in the expanded northern 'Y', especially in the locker rooms and in the parking area. Although the size of the parking lot was doubled, it is severely overcrowded. The director is not in favor of paving more land for parking, but building a parking structure.

The official opening of the expanded facilities will take place on June 5. Included is a new physical education complex, the Leah Posluns Theatre and the Koffler Centre of the Arts.

"We have a new structure so everything doesn't feed through my desk," he said. "I liaise through my top five or six people."

The director admitted to thriving in his new position. "When I made a commitment to the Jewish centre field, it was with the expectation it would present new challenges.... At some point in my career, I wanted a top job."

Park came here in 1967 from Tucson, Ariz., as program director of the northern building, and in 1972 became assistant executive director. "The excitement of the job is that no two days are the same," he continued, adding he's in love with his adopted city of Toronto.

Talking about his predecessor, who is now executive vice-president, he said he learned a lot from Andrew's questioning and searching style along with administration and how to deal with a board.

"Success is achieved in any agency where there's an appropriate balance and partnership between lay and professional leadership," he said. "This community is fortunate to have produced very talented leadership."

Park, who admits to being a 'workaholic', arrives at his office 7:45 to 8 a.m. six days a week and leaves about 5:15. His wife, Sorel, also a Montrealer, is human affairs director at the 'Y'. They have four children.

Aside from the 'Y', Park is a member of the North York Board of Education, having been elected three times. He is not sure whether he'll be seeking another term.

Leaning back in his swivel chair, he spoke about the excitement of the new 'Y' and how people are beginning to see it as more than just an athletic institution.

The 'Y's operating budget for this year is $2¼ million. There are about 80 to 90 full-time staff members ranging from nursery teachers to maintenance men, and from visual arts instructors to social workers.

With the completion of new facilities at its Bathurst building, the 'Y' is now modernizing its downtown building on Bloor built in 1953. Membership there has been growing for the last five years. At one time, plans were underway for the sale of the building.

Park, who is now concentrating most of his energy on the opening, is also cognizant of the needs of the north-east sector of the community. No new building is planned for that area, but along with the Toronto Jewish Congress, the 'Y' is active in programing in North-East Jewish Community Services. "We have a job to do whether we have a building or not. We're operating programs in five schools now."

Labor Zionists to hold 57th city conference

TORONTO —
The Toronto Labor Zionist Alliance is holding its 57th city conference, Friday evening, May 27, and Sunday, May 29, at their 14 Viewmount Ave. centre. Over 110 delegates from 15 Toronto branches are expected to attend.

Four main sessions will be devoted to a review of the organization's progress and its plans for the future, including presentations by Chairman David Zlot; LZA National President David Kofsky; Executive Director Henry Cohen-Sittayoun and committee chairmen Lipa Wise, Israel Appel and Harry Weinstock.

The luncheon session on Sunday, May 29, is devoted to Jewish education and features Dr. Sydney L. Wax, chairman of the Bialik board, and Julius Sokoloff, Borochov School president.

The opening Oneg Shabbat session will be addressed by a U.S. or Israeli personality, although the figure has not yet been confirmed. The city conference was postponed last year due to the passing of the late Hye Kirshenbaum, former LZA chairman.

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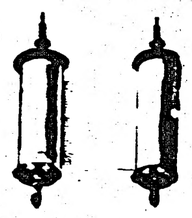

By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Behar — Bechukotay/Yom Yerushalayim [Monday]

Tashuvu ish el achuzato...You shall return every man unto his possession....

You need more than a deed to own land — you need good deeds....

Two Jews argued heatedly before a rabbi. Each claimed a parcel of land belonged to him exclusively. The rabbi stroked his beard and interrupted them.

"Gentlemen, there's a third partner in this dispute. You each claim the land belongs to you — but the land claims that you belong to it....

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We own nothing.

It's weird...God commanded that if a Jew sold his field, it had to be returned on the 50th jubilee year — **yovail**. Why? **Kee gairim v'toshavim atem** — for you are strangers and settlers with Me....The Jews were flabbergasted — what kind of real estate office is this?

If we buy something, why can't we keep it?

But God shook His head. "Listen...how can you say you own any land? **Gerim v'toshavim atem!** All you are in this world are temporary strangers, settlers, tourists! You're here for 70, 80, maybe 90 years and you want to own the land that's here forever? Use it **gezunter hait** — but no one is the permanent **baalhabayit**...." (Divrai Shaul)

Why do we run around so much trying to amass more wealth? If a Jew has enough to live on decently the rest of his life, and a little left over for his children, then shouldn't he close the store, open a chumash — and have a little taste of Gan Eden in this world?

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It doesn't pay to be too slick....

A Yiddle found a friend looking through the help-wanted ads.

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Ah, but it shows...if you love Israel, and you have even a trace of love for God and His Torah, then Israel eats you up, digests you, and makes you one with it —**eretz ochelet yoshveha**....

Israel is forever, and a Jew who walks Israel is forever....(Rabbi Nachman of Braslav)

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Eretz Yisrael floats over the earth. Every day a Jew taste a new Israel — **asher ani notain lachem** — "the land which I give you...." Every day God gives us a new Israel, incredibly beautiful and sacred.

Not everyone makes it in Israel, though — unfortunately. There are thousands of Israelis living in Toronto. They are Jews, they are our brothers and sisters, and until we return, or they return to Israel, we must welcome them as part of our community....

This Sunday night, May 15th, all Israelis (both married and single) are invited to a unique Yom Yerushalayim celebration at Beth Sholom Synagogue. We hope to see many of them.

'Israeli support doesn't preclude dissent'

By HARVEY WARREN

TORONTO —

Christian endorsement of Israel's right to exist should not preclude criticism of the Jewish state, a Roman Catholic theologian told an interdenominational Toronto audience recently.

Eva Fleischner, associate professor of religion at Montclair State College, said Christians should not blindly support Israel because cricitism "from within and without" is required to enable the country to live up to "Zionism's high ideals".

She was speaking on "Israel, Judaism and Christianity" as part of Adath Israel Congregation's lecture series, "Religion Responds to Modern Questions". More than 400 people turned out to hear her remarks.

Dr. Fleischner is a member of the Israel Study Group, a collection of Christian theologians who meet semi-annually to discuss Israel, and a member of the steering committee of the office of Christian-Jewish Relations of the National Council of Churches. She is considered an authority on the Holocaust and an activist in Jewish-Christian relations.

The right to tell Israel what to do must be earned by Christians, Dr. Fleischner said, since they have never had that prerogative, and once the right has been won the criticism would no longer be that of an outsider.

In reference to Israel, she sees the Christian role as conciliatory, fostering a climate of trust which would allow Jews to self-criticize without fear.

Asked whose responsibility it was to take the initiative in promoting such a climate, Dr. Fleischner placed the onus totally on the Christian community.

"Christians should not ask Jews to trust them," she said, "but rather Christians should begin to act in such a way that Jews will trust them."

The theologian said that "Israel is a people apart, different from other nations..." but explained that Christianity has tended to interpret this difference negatively.

As the "chosen" people, she remarked, the Jews have been seen by Christians as "somehow better than others," while Jews have spoken about themselves in this way. The ambiguity of chosenness and the consequent inability to live up to such an ideal may camouflage anti-Semitism, the academic suggested.

She noted Christian expectations that Israel keep its hands clean politically, despite the fact that no other nation has been able to do so.

"Those of us sympathetic to Israel hope that the state will avoid some of the pitfalls that have beset Christianity," she said. "If the state does not avoid all or some of those pitfalls, we must be patient, not quick to condemn."

Ban on saccharin unnecessary, says Weizmann Institute scientist

TORONTO [Staff] —

Canada's ban on saccharin was an unnecessary and alarmist measure, according to Prof. Michael Feldman, a cancer researcher at the Weizmann Institute.

"The whole business was blown out of proportion, far more than justified," said Feldman, who was visiting Toronto and Montreal on a lecture tour. "It created hysteria and raised anxiety with no good reason."

Chairman of the department of cell biology at the Institute, the Sabra criticized the methodology of studies which discovered the carcinogenic factor of the artificial sweetener, particularly the application of unusually high doses of the chemical.

Noting the risk to diabetics of sugar intake, he said the advantages of saccharin far outweighed any potential health hazard.

Holding the Philip M. Klutznick Chair of Developmental Biology at Weizmann, Feldman is investigating the immunological causes of cancer, in research partly funded by the National Cancer Institute of the U.S. His studies have centred on creating a rejection mechanism, so that an organism can react against cancerous cells.

He has developed white blood cell lymphocytes which are "educated" to attack malignant tumors when injected into mice. The success rate in preventing metastasis, or spreading of cancerous cells from their primary site of origin, has been 50%.

The research project has progressed to the stage where Weizmann scientists are applying these findings to humans. Sensitive lymphocytes of human origin will be developed as specific killer cells to reject gastrointestinal and kidney tumors.

Other investigators at the Institute are looking into the development of the cancerous cell; the mechanism by which normal cells become malignant and the factors which cause viruses to convert normal cells into cancerous ones.

A member of numerous national and international scientific bodies, the biologist also chairs the Israel Immunological Society.

He remarked that Israel's institutions of higher learning face an era of hardship in terms of government support. "The standard of living in research is decreasing," he said, adding that industries should share in the costs of applied and basic research.

The country's research strengths, he pointed out, lie in the areas of agriculture and endemic medicine, biology, physics and mathematics.

Research also has an indirect political advantage to a beleaguered nation. "Israel is in a state of political isolation," said Feldman. "Science is an example, par excellence, of co-operation across national boundaries. And the promotion of such scientific co-operation has important implications."

He also looks to Israel as a cultural-scientific centre for world Jewry. The Weizmann Institute plays host to several international scientific gatherings each year, and participates in academic exchanges with other nations.

While in Canada, Feldman lectured to laymen in Montreal and Toronto and visited science faculties at McGill, University of Toronto and McMaster University. The Weizmann lecture series is made possible by a fund established by the I.C. Pollacks of Quebec City.

Essay contest winners

TORONTO —

Recipients of the Morris Black Memorial Essay contest have been announced.

In group A (14 and under), Oona Ajzenstat, Hamilton, Paul Koven, Oakville, and Susanne Topp, St. Catharines, won for essays about Hannah Senesh and Henrietta Szold.

In group B (14 and over), Ruth Taylor, Sudbury, and Sharona Liberman, Niagara Falls, won for essays on Rashi.

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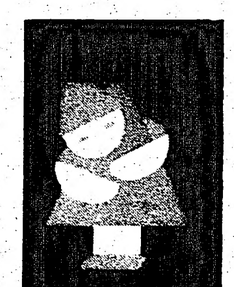
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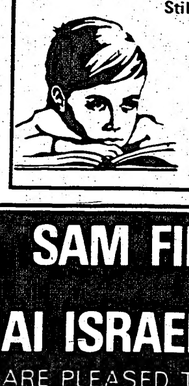
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Maccabiah '77 emphasizes physical fitness

TORONTO —

Maccabiah '77, set to take place on Sunday, May 29, is shaping up as the biggest day ever planned for total participation by the Jewish community, combining physical fitness activities with fund-raising. All proceeds go to the United Jewish Appeal.

As in the past, the main event is the UJA walkathon, which in the eight years since it began has become a tradition, particularly for the children. For the second consecutive year, B'nai B'rith lodges are playing a major role, manning checkpoints and arranging a special runathon from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Northview Secondary School track at Finch and Bathurst, at which individual runners and relay teams will participate.

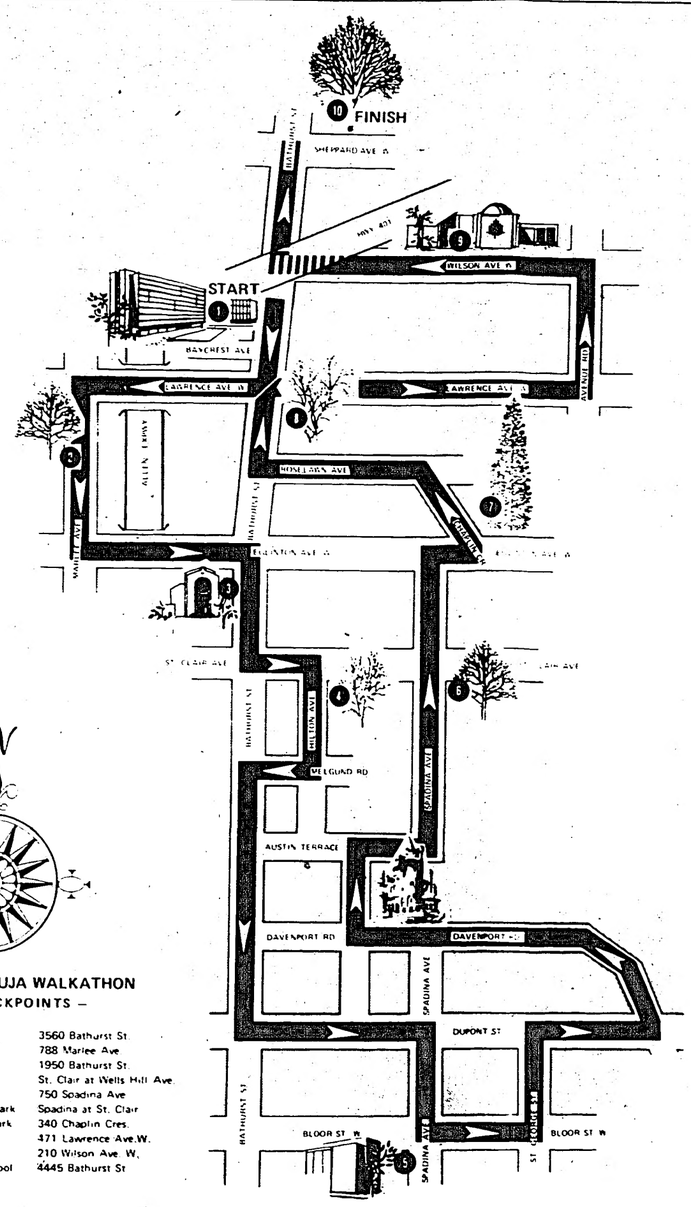
A new feature this year is a swimathon arranged by staff at both the North and South YM-YWHA. This event is scheduled to begin at 4 and end at 9. 'Y' staff will supervise at both locations — Leslie Michener at the Bloor 'Y' and Paul Brownstein at the North 'Y'.

Many changes have been made in the walkathon route, which at 26 kilometers is shorter than in previous years. The starting point at 8:00 a.m. is once again from the parking lot of Baycrest Centre and winds up at Ulpanat Orot Girls School at 4445 Bathurst, just north of Sheppard. The Bloor 'Y' will be the halfway point on the route, with new checkpoints located at the Zionist Centre on Marlee and Workmen's Circle Peretz School on Lawrence.

Telephone carousels will be set up at the finishing point, allowing youngsters who have completed the walk to call their parents. It should be noted that the walkathon is shorter this year and that parents should be prepared to pick up their children earlier than in the past.

Sponsor booklets for all three events will be available on May 9 at both 'Y' locations, synagogues, day schools, Zionist Centre, B'nai B'rith and 150 Beverley Street.

On Sunday, May 29, a telephone information service will be set up for the day from 9. The number is 638-5434.



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BB parley May 15

TORONTO —

A Quebec cabinet minister, the Ontario Liberal Party leader and an American presidential counsel will be among the guest speakers at this year's B'nai B'rith District 22 convention at the Nevele Country Club, Ellenville, New York, May 15-18.

BB officials do not yet know which Quebec minister will address the convention, but they disclosed that Victor Goldbloom, a former Liberal cabinet minister, together with Dr. Stuart Smith of the Ontario Liberals, will speak on "The Quebec Crisis and Federalism."

Robert Lipshutz, President Carter's counsel, will deliver a "Report From Washington", and Philip M. Klutznick, chairman of the World Jewish Congress and a long-time presidential advisor, will speak on the "Status of World Jewry".

The topic of "Canada-Israel Relations" will be tackled by Stuart E. Rosenberg, Rabbinical Assembly representative to the Canadian Zionist Federation and onetime Beth Tzedec rabbi, and Yoram Dinstein, an Israeli visiting professor of international law at the University of Toronto.

According to a BB spokesperson, about 500 participants from all over Eastern Canada are expected to attend the three-day convention. Last year, some 600 journeyed down to the Nevele Country Club, set in the Adirondacks.

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Jews' neglect of their bodies

'We're deteriorating fast'

By LEWIS LEVENDEL
Associate Editor

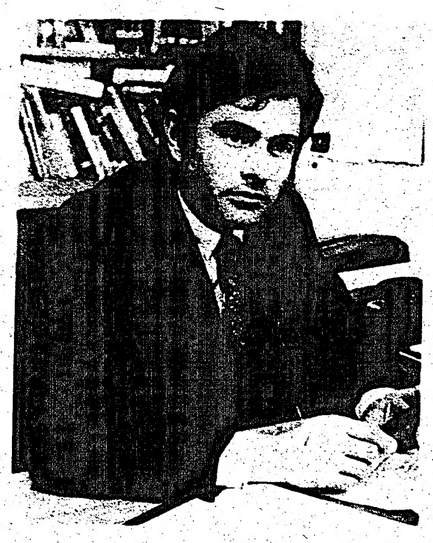
TORONTO —

One of the world's leading experts in physical fitness has expressed alarm at Jews' neglect of their bodies.

"We're a sedentary people and we're deteriorating very fast," claimed Hillel Ruskin, head of the physical education department at Israel's largest educational institution, Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

"Physical activity is not high on most Jews' priority lists," he told The Canadian Jewish News in an interview last week. "We just don't care about our bodies and therefore we have a much higher coronary risk factor."

For example, he pointed out, Israel ranks below the world average in efficiency of the heart and lung system. Jews don't realize the emphasis of physical activity is raising the heart beat level.



Hillel Ruskin – Hebrew U physical education director.

Ruskin, 43, is in North America for two years as a special consultant to the Jewish Welfare Board, an association of Jewish community centres and YM-YWHAs. A Sabra, he has a degree in humanities from Hebrew U and an MA and PhD from New York University's School of Education. He has written numerous books and articles and is advisor to Israel's Ministry of Education and Culture.

Looking 10 years younger than his age, the handsome Israeli spoke with a missionary zeal about more Jewish content in physical education. He was at the 'Y' recently, the last stop on a tour of 75 North American communities.

This "vicious cycle" of Jewish neglect of their bodies has to be broken by starting on the kids, he declared. The main villain is the Jewish mother who gets her children sugar-addicted.

Among Jews, it seems fat equals healthy, he continued. Many mothers appear to think overstuffing their children is a good thing.

He pointed out, for example, when Yemenite Jews emigrated to Israel, they had no cardio-vascular problems, but after one generation, they were part of the mainstream.

He urged mothers to allow their children to be skinny, emphasizing, "the slimmer they are, the better they are for the future."

And he called on mothers to correct childrens' malfunctions of posture (which leads to later back trouble) and to encourage them to develop a physical hobby.

Ruskin is urging more family programing in 'Ys' and community centres, and better programing for older adults. Activities that stress family togetherness are necessary, he continued.

The main thrust of his visits to communities in North America is to bring more Jewish content into physical fitness programing.

"Many people are questioning why so much money is being spent on physical education, especially in these times....We cannot afford to have just YMHA programs in our 'Ys' and community centres."

What he is urging is physical activity adjusted to Jewish content such as holiday happenings, Maccabiahs, torch runs, etc. and using captive audiences (health clubs, athletic teams) for discussions, parties and Oneg Shabbats. And he is also calling for the creation of "a Jewish atmosphere" in facilities and programing for the non-talented in physical areas.

Ruskin had much praise for the Toronto 'Y' — "one of the best I've seen" — but stressed the phys ed department was weak on Jewish content programing, something they plan to correct.

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Toronto Israel Bonds women's division leaders meet Jane Stern of New York, newly-appointed international chairman of the women's Bond program, at opening sponsor luncheon at the home of Jean Tanenbaum. Mrs. Stern (third from right) presents sponsor pin to Mrs. Tanenbaum. Others are Toronto Bonds women's division executives Arlene Badner, Ruhama Goldstein and Sheilah Silverberg.

Experience in Soviet Union drew academic to JIAS program

TORONTO — The Six Day War acted as a catalyst in drawing together Donald Schwartz and Russian Jewry. Now the associate professor in political science at the University of Toronto is applying his expertise toward co-ordinating programing for Soviet immigrants at the Jewish Immigrant Aid Society.

The Toronto-born academic and his wife, Fay, found themselves in Russia following the 1967 Arab-Israeli conflict. After obtaining an MA in political science from the University of Toronto, Schwartz pursued his studies at the University of Wisconsin, at Madison, in Soviet administrative theory.

To complete his dissertation, he had to do field research, which was made possible through an academic exchange program between the University of Toronto and the Soviet Ministry of Higher Education.

From September 1967 to June 1968, he was based at the Moscow State University.

During those months, following Israel's third major conflict, he witnessed something else in Russia. Outside the Moscow synagogue, during the High Holy days and Simchat Torah, Schwartz saw hundreds of young Russian Jews, whose latent Jewish awareness and pride had broken forth.

"After viewing this sight I came to feel that Israel's victory acted as the catalyst for the whole emigration movement that was to come in the '70s," he said.

While milling about in the crowd, some of them realized that not only was he a foreigner, but also he could speak Russian, a language which he began to study while doing his Masters.

They immediately began to ply him with questions about life outside the Soviet Union.

"Implicitly they were asking about freedom, but economic freedom. The emphasis was not on politics, culture or religion, which is not surprising since they think in terms of economic power as a basis of other types of power. They grew up in a secular, atheistic culture, consequently there was no real base for them to ask about other aspects of life," he explained.

His knowledge of Russia was also broadened by extensive travel throughout the country, which included five weeks in Leningrad. All this stood him in good stead when, in the spring of 1975, he picked up the Russian connection again.

By then, Toronto had about 1,000 Russian Jews who had arrived in the '70s. A multitude of problems were arising relating to their integration and adaptation.

The Jewish Immigrant Aid Society was looking for someone to help coordinate efforts on behalf of the Russian Jews and to act as a liaison to the community. Because of his fluency in Russian and his experience in the Soviet Union, they turned to Schwartz.

A high point in his work with these Russian Jews occurred last February when they formed their own organization, based on the realization of the importance of self-help and the need to utilize their own resources to achieve their aspirations.

He is active in Jewish concerns. While a student at the University of Toronto, he was president of the Hillel Foundation. Today, he is a member of Holy Blossom Temple. From 1969 to 1974, he was assistant to the director of the Center for Russian and East European Studies.

Discriminatory ad 'error'

MONTREAL — The Human Rights Commission of Quebec has advised the chairman of the National Joint Community Relations Committee of Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith that it regrets the recent appearance of a discriminatory ad in The Montreal Star.

In a communication to J.C. Horowitz, the Commission says it will do its utmost to prevent the recurrence of these types of ads. The ad was for "Christian teachers" to teach in the Northwest Territories education system.

The government of the Northwest Territories told the Commission that it "did not at any time authorize the publication of that advertisement", which was placed by an ex-employee "for reasons unknown".

The Montreal Star said that "the advertisement in question was published in error" and that the Star "will not knowingly publish this type of discriminatory advertising message". The Star promised to publish a retraction in its classified ad pages within 15 days.

The communication of the Commission concluded: "We are deeply concerned by such notices as may appear in newspapers within the province. In the present instance, non-Christian persons had every right to feel offended. In other cases other groups in our community, such as women, may in turn be offended by discriminatory notices.

"That is why our Commission has undertaken, in the past months, to contact all daily newspapers in the province in an effort to make them aware of our Charter of Human Rights and Freedoms which proposes to eliminate discriminatory practices in all aspects of our society.

"While we have received from newspapers creditable co-operation we are not yet quite satisfied and we are therefore making further efforts, through our education department, to bring about a more profound change in the attitude of the media... We would appreciate that you contact us, in the future, whenever you come across similar cases of discriminatory messages."

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Film or stage, Aumont's in control

theatre

By JENIVA BERGER

Jean-Pierre Aumont's heart belongs to the stage, but the internationally known French actor, who was in Toronto recently as part of an Eastern Canadian tour of Le Theatre Ville's production of **Tiger At The Gates**, is best remembered in North America for his spate of Hollywood romance/adventures in the 40s and 50s.

Outside of **Lili**, in which he captivated the youthful Leslie Caron as the charismatic side-show dazzler, Marco the Magnificent, Aumont would prefer to forget a lot of the films which he succinctly classifies as "nothing worth mentioning."

Not me. Oh, to be a kid again, cradled in the technicolor arms of—such dream weavers like **The Song of Sheherezade** in which Aumont played the dashing young Rimsky-Korsakoff, and **The Siren of Atlantis**, in which he starred with his exotic wife, Maria Montez.

There was no such thing as a bad film in my eyes; there were only fantasies badly delivered. Aumont was never guilty of that.

Now in his mid-60s, but still trim and handsome, the conservatively dressed Aumont, puffing casually on a pipe in his Chelsea Inn suite, smiled when I asked him if he minded being remembered as a romantic star.

"Not at all," he assured me. "At my age it would be ridiculous to play romantic parts any longer, but I felt fine about it at the time."

Born in Paris to the son of a well-to-do department store owner, Alexander Salomans, a Dutch Jew, and a French maman, Suzanne Cohen, Aumont was only 15 when he enrolled at the Paris Conservatory of Dramatic Arts, and a mere 25 when Jean Cocteau chose him for the demanding role of Oedipus in his play **The Infernal Machine**.

Aumont, who was already enjoying a successful film career in France, had signed a contract with MGM in 1943, though he only completed two films, **Assignment in Brittany** and the acclaimed **Cross of Lorraine**, when he broke his contract to join the

Jean-Piere Aumont

Free French Forces. He was later awarded the Legion of Honor by de Gaulle.

By the mid-40s, Aumont was an established matinee idol in France as well as North America, but the parts Hollywood offered him for the next several years were neither inspiring nor challenging and Aumont returned to France, alternating between French films and the American stage until the early 50s when he made the memorable **Lili** and distinguished himself on such television productions as **Arms and the Man** and **Crime and Punishment**.

On Broadway, he appeared with Vivien Leigh in the musical **Tovarich**, and followed it with **Murderous Angels**, and the Lincoln Center production of **Camino Real**, in which he appeared as the faded Jacques Casanova.

Aumont has always had a relaxed attitude toward filmmaking from the time he was first approached to appear on the silver screen. "When they first asked me to do a film," he recalls, "I was amused. I thought 'why not?' It was like having a drink."

But underneath the apparent ease he shows in front of the camera, the debonair Frenchman is totally in command in his screen roles whether he's playing a rich and silky bon vivant as he did in **Mahogany**, the precise fencing master teaching a would-be king in the recent **Man in the Iron Mask**, or a charming film star as he effortlessly managed in Truffaut's delightful **Day For Night**.

Married to Marisa Pavan, his third wife, and the father of two sons, Aumont commutes between California and France, where he owns a home in Malmaison. Very much a Frenchman at heart, he nonetheless proferred strong non-chauvinistic sentiments when asked about President Giscard's release of terrorist, Abou Daoud.

"I felt terrible. I think it was a disgrace," he replied quickly. "I wanted to protest, but in France if you do something like that they say you're just calling attention to yourself. The French people were outraged as were people all over the world. Don't blame them. Blame the government."

Morawetz's 'Anne Frank' does justice to young heroine

music

By RICK KARDONNE

The highlight of the Beth Tikvah-CBC Radio concert commemorating the 60th birthday of Canada's leading Jewish composer, Oskar Morawetz (whose major symphonic work **From the Diary of Anne Frank** was the featured attraction), came during the post-concert reception, when "Mr. Kraler" (Victor Kugler), who hid the Franks for nearly two years in the basement of his Amsterdam house, appeared in person, introduced by Morawetz. Kugler now lives in Toronto.

I only wish that this moving event had taken place during the concert itself, not only so that the entire paying audience would have witnessed it, but, even more important, so that the much larger radio audience could have heard it as well.

Not only does Oskar Morawetz's symphony do total justice to the heroic memory of Anne Frank; by any standard, it remains a classic. Morawetz is one of the few survivors of the legacy of Bartok, Prokofiev and Shostakovich — an era which began with Stravinsky and, in retrospect, was perhaps the most fruitful era of musical sophistication, freedom and creativity in history.

All of these influences are present in **Diary**. But, much more importantly, Morawetz transcends them with his own sense of abstract liturgy, as expressed by the powerful text in which Anne Frank prays for her former school friend Lies Goosen, who had just been transported to a concentration camp. (Ironically, Lies survived and Anne Frank herself died in Bergen-Belsen.)

Here is a remarkable fusion of emotional straight-from-the-gut humanistic pleading with all of the subtle atonal nuances skilfully utilized in order to simulate the feared horrors in the back of Anne Frank's mind.

Belva Spiel's full, yet softly sensitive, voice was ideal in conveying Anne Frank's spirit of tender yet overpowering concern. She needed an additional microphone to project her more strongly out to the live audience, as the horns sometimes drowned her out.

On the radio tape, where a proper sound balance has already been attained, she will undoubtedly be heard that much more clearly.

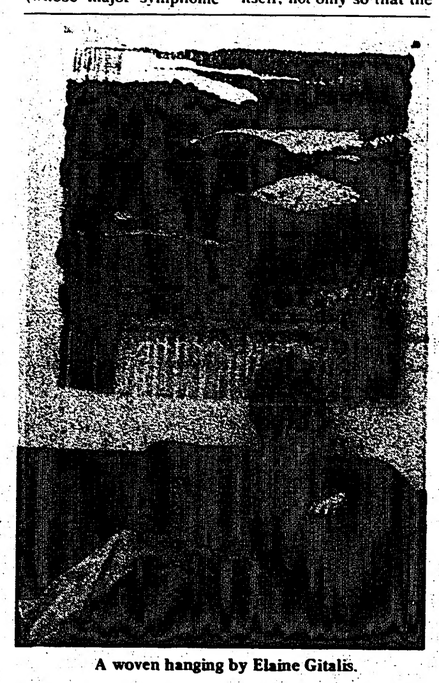
The CBC Festival Orchestra, under the direction of Boris Brott, sounded much more polished and sensitive than during the last time I heard them; and this sense of resulting confidence added that much more to an intelligent presentation of this most vital work.

The April 21 concert was further enhanced by the Toronto premiere of Srul Irving Glick's mature and inspiring symphonic work, his violin concerto **Shir Hamaalot** ("Song of Ascension").

Based around a strong but relatively basic minor-key original Jewish folk theme, Glick's piece successfully links both this main theme and a semi-abstract secondary theme into an intriguingly absorbing tonal blend of symphonic development, with Yiddish-rooted lyricism.

Steven Staryk's violin performance was outstanding, climaxing with his cadenza, which perfectly evoked what Glick was trying to achieve: a sense of striving for spiritual ascent to the gates of heaven.

Opening this concert, in honor of Yom Ha'atzmaut, was a performance of Sergei Prokofiev's **Overture on Hebrew Themes**



A woven hanging by Elaine Gitalis.

Clarfield-Gitalis displays hangings

TORONTO — Local artist Elaine Clarfield-Gitalis will have her woven and hooked wall hangings on display during May at the Northern District Library on Orchardview Road.

Since graduating in material arts from the Ontario College of Art in 1969, she has had her works displayed at Hillel House, B'nai B'rith women's art shows, Gibson House, Gallery Danielli, Maple Downs Country Club and Wingfield Racquet Club.

Her work also hangs in private collections in Toronto, Montreal, Ottawa, New York, California and Israel.

Mrs. Gitalis' latest library show will feature woven hangings executed in spun and unspun wools, as well as colorful unspun wool hookings in bold designs.

LeisurePleasures

By VIVIENNE MUHLING 481–6434

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Do you know who recommends **PIAF**, the revue that is drawing record-breaking audiences to **Schubert's Cabaret? Tom Kneebone**, among others. "I've been 5 times and I'm going again" he told Sun columnist Sylvia Train. **Dorothy Poste** is great as the famed French chanteuse. 8:30 Tues.–Sat., or Sat. midnight. Dining & dancing, too at **Schubert's Cabaret, 138 Pears Avenue, 961–2460.**

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Every weekday between 11 and noon, **Zelda Young** hosts **Sam Yuchtman's** lively radio program: **The Jewish Hour** on CHIN. Sundays, the show runs for 2 hours, 9–11 a.m. Whichever you catch, you will enjoy the informative interviews and community notes and the "haymische" music. I particularly like the choice of Israeli records. Tune in to **The Jewish Hour, CHIN, at 1540.**

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Double Exposure — Open Circle Theatre's Workshop tryouts of new plays — is your chance to be in on the creative process. **Lovejoy's Nuclear War** by Sylvia Tucker alternates with Chris Hallgren's **Westroy Hotel.** Music for both, Robert Armes. 8:30 p.m. Tues./Sat., 1 p.m. Wed. Mat. 2:30 Sun. For program schedule and reservations: **967–6584 U. C. Playhouse, 79a St. George Street.**

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Aladdin Theatre presents **Night Must Fall**, the excellent **Emlyn Williams** thriller to which you can happily take the older children along. It plays 8:30 p.m. Wed./Sun. This weekend is the last chance to take the wee one to **Jack & the Beanstalk** with an especially thrill-giving giant (Philip Nye). 1:30 & 3:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun. **Aladdin Theatre, 2637 Yonge Street, 482–5200.**

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Two new **Passe Muraille** events ... **P. Melnick** is **The Empress of China**, a lovely lady who steps into the heart of Toronto **May 26/29, June 2/5 & 9/12** at 9 p.m. ($2.50), Sun. Mat. 2:30., at the **New Theatre, 736 Bathurst St.** ... Running concurrently, a courageous workshop production: **Loose Connections** which provocatively explores the tangles of human bondage under the guidance of **Steven Bush.** Phone for details and reservations for both to **Theatre Passe Muraille, 363–8988.**

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Lois Marshall and Theodore Gentry (whose fine counter tenor received high acclaim at recent performances) are soloists in the 3rd **Toronto Spring Festival Concert**, 8:30, May 18. The music is by Schumann, Brahms, Mendelsohn. Tickets for this exciting event ($6.50, $5.50 students & srs.) at all outlets or phone 531–3301. **St. Simon The Apostle Church, 40 Howard Street.**

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Gallery Danielli invites you to the opening of the **Francine Richmond Sculpture** exhibition on May 14. The award-winning Montreal artist's work (marble & exotic stone like Pakistan onyx) has been extensively shown in Canada & the U.S. — even featured in a major movie. On view Tues. to Sat., 11–5 p.m. until June 4, at the **Gallery Danielli, 336 Dundas Street West.**

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Some of **Peter Wilch's Paintings & Drawings** at the **Anomon Gallery** still haunt my mind's eye; a bird drawing and an egg tempura bemused woman walking through fields. The latter, one of several that crystalize dream-like themes. This, Wilch's first major 1-man show is worth noting. See it 10–5 p.m., Mon./Sat. at the **Anomon Art Gallery, 17 Hazelton Avenue, 967–0117.**

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As you enter the **Sisler Gallery, Philip Sybal's** Paintings, Drawings & Prints command attention. A refreshing approach to classicism, clearly influenced by his sojourn in Florence. Upstairs, Vancouver-born **Betty Jean Drummond's** intriguing landscapes and nature graphics are on view. Tues. to Sat., 10–5:50 p.m., Sun. 2–5 at **Sisler Gallery, 35 Baldwin Street, 868–0440.**

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AROUND THE TOWN
By JANICE ARNOLD

SCHOOLS MERGE

Temple Emanu-El and Temple Beth Sholom have officially announced that their afternoon schools will merge by the opening of the fall semester. It is hoped the final planning will be completed within the next six weeks.

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McGILL GOVERNOR

Philip F. Vineberg, who chaired the Bar Ilan dinner in honor of **Mitzi Dobrin** last Tuesday, has been appointed to the board of governors of McGill University. A McGill law school graduate in 1939, Vineberg has taught economics and company law at his alma mater.

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MEET LAZURE

A delegation of lay and professional members of AJCS recently had their first meeting with Social Affairs Minister **Denis Lazure**. One of the topics discussed was the future expansion of Maimonides Hospital & Home for the Aged.

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TOWN HALL TALKS

"Town hall" meetings, such as the ones held a couple of weeks ago in the Spanish & Portuguese and Young Israel of Chomedey synagogues on the White Paper on Language, may become a regular affair. Sponsored jointly by AJCS and Canadian Jewish Congress, the outreach program is designed to both inform the community and serve as a forum for its opinions.

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JIAS PRESIDENT

Ernest Scharfstein is the new president of JIAS, Eastern Region, replacing **Daniel Morris**. Scharfstein has been associated with JIAS for 20 years.

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600 MEMBERS

The Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University now boast 600 paying members across Canada, reports National President **Eric Flanders.** Although only three years old, the Associates feel sure the Ben-Gurion University has become something of a household name throughout the country.

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Local history buffs are invited to attend a general meeting of the revived Montreal Jewish Historical Society at the Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary in the Queen E. this morning at 9 a.m. Following this, at 10:30, **Bernard Wax** of Brandeis University, director of the American Jewish Historical Society, will speak on the operation of a local historical society.

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PANOVS AT JPPS CONCERT

Galina and **Valery Panov** will star with Les Grands Ballets Canadiens at the Jewish People's & Peretz Schools 20th annual concert at Place des Arts on May 15 at 8:15 p.m. **John S. Hirsch**, head of TV drama at CBC, will be honored that evening.

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945 NEW CASES

A total of 945 new cases were opened by JIAS in Montreal in 1976. These cases included 239 immigrants from Morocco, 128 from the Soviet Union, 70 from Romania, 66 from France and 56 from Lebanon.

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ANTIQUE SHOW

Antiques, arts and crafts will be on sale at Congregation Beth-El May 15, from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. The Pioneer Women are sponsors of the display.

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RECONSTRUCTIONISTS

The 200 families of the Reconstructionist Synagogue will celebrate the 10th anniversary of the building of their "bet ha-knesset" on Cleve Road in Hampstead, May 22. The new addition to the synagogue that has just been completed will be officially dedicated that day also.

Some thoughts on CJC plenary

IN MY VIEW
By CHARLES LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

It is the eve of the Canadian Jewish Congress 18th Plenary Assembly and although my pointing to the figure 18, meaning chai or life, may blow some speeches at the sessions, my only defence is that I said it first — or so I like to think.

What is much more important than who said what first, even more important than such critical issues as the destiny of Quebec's Jewish community, is whether the delegates and the Jews across Canada will view the results from three perspectives.

First is that the Canadian Jewish Congress, both at the national and regional levels, strengthen its image as the "parliament" and voice of the community.

Second is that this image, or credibility if you will, can only be enhanced if debates and discussions at the plenary are conducted with emphasis on the Jewish ethos, morality and philosophical integrity, rather than cynical pragmatism.

—And third is that the first two elements cited above as vital to gaining even stronger recognition and prestige for Congress, can only be achieved by open and honest discussion; no wheeling and dealing by the status seekers and power brokers, with the power base of the organization restored to everyman, the "folks mensch", rather than permitting takeover by the self-appointed "elite".

The smoke-filled room traditional at political gatherings — the plenary, to a degree, is "political" in personal but not necessarily pejorative terms — is an anachronism, I suppose, simply because smoking has all but become a social no-no.

Nevertheless, even as Congress begins its deliberations at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel here, there is good reason to believe attempts by certain special interests to make certain trade-offs.

If this is so, the after-effects can well turn out to be disastrous during this critical period for Canada and the Jewish community.

I don't say disastrous because the wrong man or woman may be chosen for a key position, or because the floor fight on a resolution is so much window dressing in the face of some quid pro quo decided in a corridor corner.

What I mean by disastrous, rather, is that even the appearance of a rigged candidacy or resolution would plunge the Canadian Jewish Congress into the worst credibility crisis it has ever faced.

It would not matter a bit whether there is justification for suspicion, that quiet agreements have been made between individuals or groups with special interests.

What would matter is, if the climate is such at the convention, that would raise doubt whether every single item on the agenda, from deciding future policy on Soviet Jewry to the election of the national president, is handled in the best democratic traditions for which Congress achieved its eminence in Jewish life, from the very beginning.

At stake at the 18th plenary assembly is much more than deciding community direction, but rather that these directions be determined in accord with the first of Woodrow Wilson's "14 Points" which served as a basis for peace.

Open covenants, openly arrived at, was Wilson's admonition, and that's what should be the basis of the Congress plenary.

Finally, before wishing all the participants **brachah** and **hatzlachah** at the convention, my only pre-plenary comment on the next national president is that the person running for the office should:

Be a "**folksmensch**"; as comfortable with the most modest landsmanshaft and Jews congregating at a shopping centre on a Sunday morning, as he is with the elite of government and the community; young in heart, spirit and vitality; and even possessing a charismatic touch.

Most important he should be generally liked — on a one-to-one and community level — and well-known. (Sorry, folks, I must decline the nomination simply because I could never qualify.)

Once again, brachah and hatzlachah.

Congregation's lecture series on Israel, Zionism very successful

MONTREAL [Staff] —

At a time when synagogues are struggling to be relevant, at least one synagogue is succeeding.

Tifereth Beth David Jerusalem in Cote St. Luc has over the past six months played host to some of the world's greatest experts on the problems of contemporary Israel.

The Institute on Israel and Zionism, a six-part lecture series which began in October and ended last month, has turned out to be one of the most successful projects in the 14-year-old Orthodox synagogue's history.

Work began on the Institute after the UN resolution equating Zionism with racism was passed. "We felt that not only the rest of the world was hostile and indifferent to Israel, but many Jewish people were not well-versed in Israel and Zionism and the complexity of the issues. We decided to give the public an objective overview of the situation. People can then make their own judgments," said Rabbi Joshua Shmidman, Tifereth's spiritual leader.

The six speakers were Norman Podhoretz, editor of Commentary; Salo W. Baron, author of A Social and Religious History of the Jews; Emanuel Sivan, chairman of the history department of the Hebrew University; Gil Carl Alroy, author of **The Kissinger Experience** and **Behind the Middle Eastern Conflict**; Alan Dershowitz, the lawyer who defended Angela Davis, Eldridge Cleaver and Patty Hearst; and Walter Laqueur, director of the Institute of Contemporary History in London.

Most of the speakers are personally known by Rabbi Shmidman, who is a scholar in his own right as author of articles on Jewish ethics in the Encyclopedia Judaica and instructor of philosophy at Yeshiva University and Brooklyn College before coming to Tifereth almost two years ago.

Tifereth was also the synagogue that held the panel discussion on Jews in Quebec last January, which saw a rare encounter between four diverse Jewish leaders — Victor Goldbloom, Jean-Claude Lasry, Irwin Cotler and Alan Rose.

A new Institute on Israel and Zionism will be launched next fall. No speakers have been confirmed yet. "We tried to get Kissinger but he couldn't make it."

Dr. Melvyn Schwartzben

CJC Eastern Region elects new chairman

MONTREAL —

Dr. Melvyn Schwartzben, 46, of Montreal was elected chairman of the Eastern Region of the Canadian Jewish Congress at an advance meeting held May 5 of delegates to the plenary assembly.

He will succeed Leon Teitelbaum, who has been chairman of the Eastern Region during the period 1974-1977. (In accordance with the by-laws of the Canadian Jewish Congress, no person may hold the same office for two consecutive terms.)

Dr. Schwartzben was presented by Moe Seidman, president of the Synagogue Council of Greater Montreal.

Justice Perry Meyer chaired the elections meeting.

Dr. Schwartzben was honorary secretary of the Eastern Region during the last term and, previously, was chairman of the education committee of the Canadian Jewish Congress, Eastern Region.

He is an active member of the Synagogue Council of Greater Montreal and represents the CJC, Eastern Region, on the Educational Council of Greater Montreal.

The other candidate for the post was Joseph Nuss, affiliated with Le Fait Francais and a member of the federal Liberal party. Nuss, presented by Judge Harold Lande, did not enter the race until the last hour and apparently lost the election over the issue of the language Bill 1.

Dr. Schwartzben argued that the community must take action against the legislation and Nuss suggested Quebec Jewry should resign itself to the bill.

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He may be 102 years young, but Dr. Joseph Joffre still enjoys a brisk walk. He was one of 7,000 participants in the fifth annual Jerusalem march.

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Hebrew University Friends Welcome Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek

Popular Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek will be the guest speaker and guest of honour at the Annual Dinners of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal, May 25, 1977, and at the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue in Toronto, May 30, 1977.

In this the tenth year of the reunification of Jerusalem, the Canadian Friends are proud to welcome Mr. Kollek, the dynamic first citizen of the Holy City who has contributed so much to the city's growth and development, particularly in the cultural and social area. During the recent dedication of the Canadian Centre on the Hebrew University's Mount Scopus campus, Mayor Kollek declared "Canada Day" in Jerusalem in tribute to Canadian Jewry's significant contribution to the restoration of the university's original campus as well as its major role in the progress and development of Israel.

For information please call Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University: Montreal 932–2133; Toronto 787–0136.

Letter sent to Laurin

MONTREAL [Staff] —

Citizen Impact Quebec, an outgrowth of the National Council of Jewish Women, has urged the Quebec government to reconsider its proposed language legislation "in the interests of our concern for human rights, the exercise of the democratic process and social and political stability."

In a letter sent to Minister of Cultural Development Camille Laurin, as well as a number of parliamentarians, the group states that plans to place "unlimited powers of interpretation and authority in the hands of any commission, or in the hands of one person, is a potential threat to full justice before the law and is, therefore, an abrogation of human rights."

The group believes that every citizen in Quebec should be allowed to live and work in either French or English, but be knowledgeable in both.

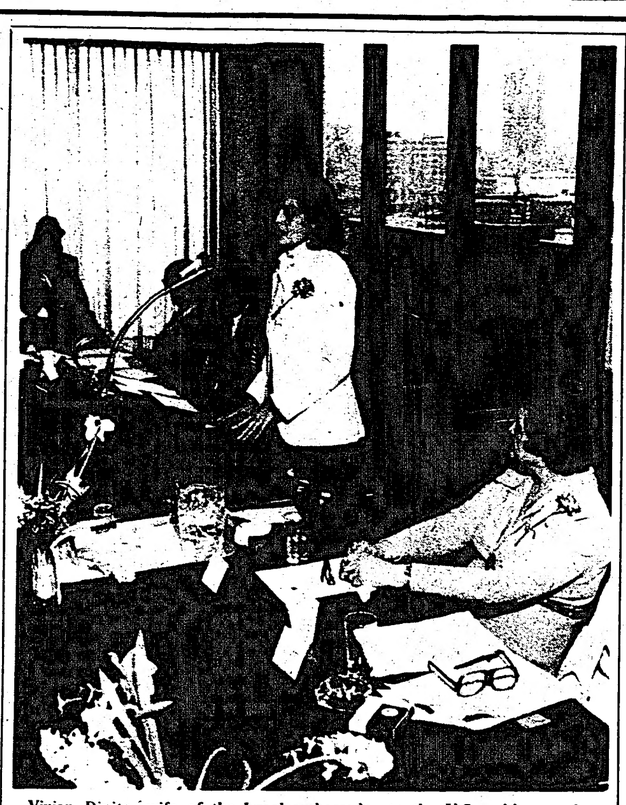
A healthy economy is essential to cultural growth, wrote the group, and the language policy should encourage people "to come to Quebec as well as encourage people to stay in Quebec."

"...we want the proposed language legislation to reflect our perceptions of the following realities in which we of Quebec find ourselves: we live in North America, we are Quebecois and Canadian, we want to be able to share in all opportunities and learning resources. The aspect of cultural isolation is, we feel, unacceptable."

Citizen Impact Quebec developed from the NCJW's Citizen Impact project, which was designed to help Canadians understand political and social issues. The Quebec group began meeting after the Nov. 15 election, but began working in earnest after the release of the white paper. It has since grown to include representatives of the English and French communities, with meetings drawing 30 to 40 persons.

"We are a group of citizens, independent of any organization, that is anxious about the status quo in Quebec. Through a program of study, dialogue and social action, we are trying to become better informed and to get the government to listen," said Laura Schwartzbein of Citizen Impact Quebec.

The group hopes to further broaden its base to include members of other ethnic communities.



Vivian Dinitz, wife of the Israel ambassador to the U.S., addresses the annual "Spring Thing" of the women's division of the Combined Jewish Appeal and Israel Emergency Fund. Anne Nadler chairs women's division.

PC defence of Delorme 'unacceptable': Rose

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Canadian Jewish Congress National Executive Director Alan Rose has called Conservative leader Joe Clark's defence of the candidacy of Roger Delorme "quite unacceptable."

Clark, in a letter to Rose, stated: "...It is the responsibility of members of riding association to choose their nominee from amongst those candidates who support our party positions. It is not my view that a party leader should interfere in the riding level process beyond a level of assuring that candidates seeking such nominations understand the basic policies of our party."

The Tory leader notes that when Delorme first sought nomination for the May 24 by-election in Terrebone, he discussed party policy with him and specifically those related to Israel and anti-Semitism.

"Mr. Delorme assured me that he was prepared to support our party policy in these areas," wrote Clark.

The Conservative Party is opposed to any form of anti-Semitism and supports Israel's fundamental right to exist as an independent state, he continued. He also mentioned that the anti-Zionist and anti-Semitic remarks attributed to Delorme were made when he had no formal association with the party.

"It's irrelevant whose responsibility it was to nominate him. The point is a hate-monger should not toe the line for any party," Rose said.

A delegation from Congress may pursue the matter further with Clark.

Meanwhile, John Fraser, Conservative member of Parliament for Vancouver South, has called upon Delorme to go before the constituents of Terrebonne now and clarify his views on Jews and Israel.

Fraser made the statement in response to an article that appeared in the Globe & Mail, April 30, which quoted Delorme as saying that his views on Israel are irrelevant. If he ever had to vote in the House on a Middle East policy, he would call a meeting of his constituents and act on their decision.

In Toronto, Attorney-General Roy McMurtry and Larry Grossman, Conservative MPP for St. Andrew-St. Patrick, have issued a joint press release condemning the candidacy of Delorme.

Both McMurtry and Grossman have told Clark it is simply not enough that Delorme pledge allegiance to the party and its support for Israel.

In letters written to Clark, they have severely questioned the propriety of allowing Delorme to stand in any event.

The attorney general, in his letter of May 2, stated: "...quite frankly I do not understand how our party can possibly endorse a candidate who is so clearly and openly espousing the cause of anti-Semitism."

Grossman's letters to Clark, written on April 26 and May 4 respectively, have demanded the disqualification of Delorme and warned Clark that this matter will be raised by him and others at the next annual meeting of the party.

Hospital to receive same funding as '76

MONTREAL [Staff] —

The board of trustees of Allied Jewish Community Services has decided to maintain last year's level of subsidization to the Jewish General Hospital in view of the financial crisis presently facing the institution.

The hospital recently announced that, due to an operating loss of $1.9 million last year and an accumulated deficit of $4.6 million, it would be forced to take drastic measures to cut expenditures.

Measures include the closing of 100 beds, May 1, for the summer and, if necessary, longer; eliminating menu choices for patients; serving meals on paper plates; cleaning offices only once a week, and a trimming of ambulatory care services such as outpatient clinics and laboratory and x-ray tests. A much longer wait for elective surgery and shorter hospital stays than now, are predicted.

In 1975 AJCS made a grant of $350,000 to the hospital. Last year $300,000 was allotted and AJCS advised the hospital administration earlier this year that a further $50,000 cut should be expected in the 1977 budget to be brought down this month.

The executive committee has reconsidered this move and May 9, the board of trustees ratified the executive's decision to maintain the $300,000 grant, said AJCS executive vice president, Manuel Batshaw.

The Jewish General was one of those constituent agencies that was asked to take a reduction in grants in the 1976 "austerity" AJCS budget, because it did not fall into the four priority categories — education, poverty, the aged and chronic care.

AJCS grants are used for research and teaching, an area that the Ministry of Social Affairs does not consider a "shareable cost." Other lesser income sources for research and teaching are the Medical Research Council, the Women's Auxiliary and the hospital's Research Foundation.

"We realize that the demands upon our community for local and Israel causes are heavy. However, the continual decrease of funding from AJCS may make it necessary for the hospital to consider other means of raising money for its teaching and research programs in order to maintain this hospital as a top rank institution," the hospital's Executive Director Archie Deskin is quoted as saying in the April issue of JGH News.

In the fiscal period 1976-77 the hospital will spend $400,000 for these activities — more than the revenue from all four research income sources.

The hospital appealed in December to the provincial government for some assistance to the teaching program but no reply has been received yet.

The hospital's deficit rose sharply in 1974 when the Ministry of Social Affairs told all hospitals that there would no longer be any year-end settlements. This put a strain on its cash flow position, that is, the hospital's ability to meet payroll and debts to suppliers.

"If we do not put our house in order, in other words, balance our budget, the government could very well send in a trustee to do it for us."

"Shareable costs" are defined by the Ministry of Social Affairs in Chapter 48 of Bill 65 and include patient care and staff salaries only. Even in these areas the hospital has been receiving less revenue for some of its programs such as dialysis and the social disease clinic.

"The financial situation in Quebec is well known and we can only speculate on the possibility that the government will increase hospital budgets by a percentage that is within its means. Unfortunately, this percentage is inadequate to meet rising prices of supplies and other services," Deskin said.

Oldest 'art'

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

Prostitution in Israel should no longer be illegal, provided that the women concerned discreetly used hotels or their homes, a government-appointed committee has recommended.

The recommendations of the eight-member panel of lawyers, doctors, police and sociological experts, headed by Judge Hadassah Ben-Ito, of Tel Aviv District Court, are being studied by Haim Zadok, the justice minister. They are vigorously challenged by religious leaders.

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Two main issues: Harris

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in regards to professionals who understand the Canadian experience, but yes to those whose major part of their background is in the States."

Reviewing his greatest accomplishments in office, he said Congress has done a good job over the last three years in representing the community. He praises the CJC staff as one with an international reputation, "although we had a traumatic experience developing a new staff."

And Harris expresses delight over the end of Welfare Fund versus Congress competition in large cities, noting the Toronto merger and the anticipated one in Montreal.

The most important thing that happened over the past few years was the development of National Budgeting Conference, which assured the continuance of the Congress principle in Canada — "otherwise we would have gradually strangled". The NBC "satisfactorily" funds Congress, he adds, but there's only so much money. CJC's operating budget for 1977 is $1.3 million.

Harris regrets that he was unable to achieve a couple of his goals — a national CJC public relations officer (just not enough money") and allowing the press to cover Congress meetings.

He declares the CJC is not satisfactorily communicating with the community. A house organ is badly needed, he says.

He also expresses deep regret at the failure of the CJC to recruit young people into the organization. "We tried to get more youth involved, but they don't come," admits Harris.

He explains the failure this way: "We felt during the years of Bronfman (Samuel) presidency, the machine would go on forever — self-renewing and self-perpetuating." But it didn't and during the last few years, there has been an attempt to change things."

Harris says more young people are coming to meetings and speaking out. But he also admits that most young leadership seems to be going to Israel Bonds and the United Jewish Appeal.

"It's their choice. Maybe there's more glamor there, but I don't think so."

New book on Jerusalem

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An important element in what happened in 1967 upon reunion was the psychological distance between the two halves of the city. The Jordanian school curriculum included a special study of Zionism as an enemy ideology — replete with general vilification of the Jewish people. On the other hand, the Israeli school curriculum virtually ignored the Arab people altogether. Despite the fact that the overwhelming majority of Western Jerusalemites were either native-born or had immigrated from the Islamic countries, they were as ignorant of their Arab cousins as a new inimigrant from Brooklyn.

Especially valuable in this book are the chapters on the holy places, and the relations between their custodians and the Israeli authorities since 1967, a definitive account which ought finally to dispel the derogatory myths persisting in the international community regarding Israel's performance in this most sensitive area.

However, most riveting are the sections on the extraordinary period following unification: the diplomatic and legal wrangles over whether annexation had taken place or not, the fears felt by the Arabs over the possible effacement of the Arab character of East Jerusalem, the accommodation and resistance of Jews and Arabs to the economic integration of the city, and the sporadic acts of terrorism and civil disobedience committed by Arabs and the measures adopted by the Israelis to contain them.

Benvenisti singles out for special treatment certain issues which crystallized the mutual fear and suspicion between Arab and Jew, including the extension of Israeli tax laws to East Jerusalem, the revamping of the Jordanian school curriculum, the renaming of Arab streets, the reaction of memorials by the Arabs to their war dead, the expropriation of land, and the over-hasty attempts to create faits accomplis by means of large-scale construction projects.

In all this the essential humanity of the author and his sincere quest for ways to work for the benefit of Jew and Arab in the united city come through.

Today, less is heard of the stimulating and innovative proposals which were in part responsible for Benvenisti's reputation for being a political maverick, especially the one to create a "borough" framework to allow for some areas of Arab autonomy within the city.

He himself concedes that the problem of the municipal representation of Arabs, which would give the city some of the substance as well as the appearance of being unified, is still bogged down.

The idea of true co-existence in a city which, after all, is but a microcosm of the Arab-Israeli conflict, and where the fate of the Arabs is not in their hands, might be no more than a pipe-dream pending an overall political settlement in the area.

Nonetheless, the fact that Jerusalem, with all the explosive potential it contains, has not turned into another Belfast so far is, without doubt, due in large measure to the efforts of Benvenisti and people like him.

Close boycott loophole

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the inclusion of "goods" in the bill's section dealing with discriminatory practices. In the CBA delegation was Torontonian Sam Filer.

The Canadian Jewish Congress, calling the failure to recognize commercial discrimination "a serious omission" in the bill, wrote in their brief: "Religious and racial discrimination is just as heinous and undesirable in the area of commerce as it is in accommodation, employment, housing and other services."

Ben Kayfetz, director of the national Joint Community Relations Committee, said there may be some resistance to the amendment regarding commerce. "It's possible," he said, adding, "but I don't know what they're thinking...They're not going to do anything unless they're pushed." The Arab boycott was not in the public eye when the bill was formulated, he noted.

"There are certain departments which are traditionally against anything that would interfere with commerce."

(Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, in a submission to the Ontario Human Right Commission last summer, also urged the introduction of anti-discrimination measures in the public marketplace.)

The Canadian Civil Liberties Association Counsel Alan Borovoy, said the CCLA has not directed itself to the question of separate anti-boycott legislation, and for the time being is concerned with extending present anti-discrimination provisos.

The federal Human Rights Bill C-25 also contains a section making it a discriminatory practice for a person or group of persons to communicate hate messages.

Congress suggested an amendment be included that operators of a telecommunication system, such as a telephone company, not be exempted from prosecution if they are aware that their system is being abused.

However, the CCLA suggested that the section be dropped entirely, because "it is potentially even more restrictive of free speech than the hate propaganda section of the Criminal Code."

Kayfetz also recognized difficulties in this area. "It's a question of how hate will be defined. One man's hatred is another man's distaste."

Noting that the bill does not provide for discrimination in the granting of federal licenses, Congress also advised that an amendment be considered to redress this oversight in the sphere of bodies or crown corporations within federal jurisdiction.

Plaut, Cotler co-presidents?

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concentrate on the more pressing issues of the day.

Jewish teacher training, research into Jewish demography and social planning, greater co-ordination of national budgeting — these are all areas in which Congress must play a greater part, Ain said.

"Or is there a role for Congress in Jewish education, such as the pooling of resources? These are just some of the many questions that we will have to sit down and think through."

Ain admits it will not be easy to change roles that have endured for decades. "The regional organizations are outdated, but nobody wants to change what has operated for 40 or 50 years."

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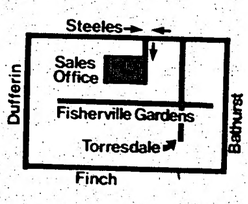

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Having Bar Mitzvah in Israel reaffirms spiritual significance

By LARRY FROMMER

Once it was the popular custom to give fountain pens as Bar Mitzvah gifts and quite the vogue for the Jewish comedians of the day to paraphrase the conventional opening words of the Bar Mitzvah ceremonial speech, "today I am a man", with "today I am a fountain pen."

Bar Mitzvah wise, the fountain pen has become an anachronism and today's comedians, if so inclined, could paraphrase the Bar Mitzvah speech quite differently. "Today I am a sit-down dinner for 200 people, with a caterer, a five-piece orchestra and an urge to compete with Michael Goldberg, whose parents threw him a Bar Mitzvah bash last week."

Indeed the once unpretentious Bar Mitzvah party has become an exercise in ostentation. Bar Mitzvah boys are lavished as richly as brides and some celebrations are as profligate as weddings.

In recent years, however, some parents, seeking to re-emphasize the spiritual significance of Bar Mitzvah, have celebrated the occasion in Israel. Transporting a family for a couple of weeks in the holy land costs no more than some of the current Bar Mitzvah extravaganzas, and the satisfactions run much deeper.

Undoubtedly more people would take this route if they could find someone reliable to assume the arrangements. One such specialist is East Tours, a large New York operator of Israel packages, which has been handling Israel Bar Mitzvah arrangements for its customers for a number of years.

Last year, operating essentially through U.S. and Canadian travel agents, East Tours assisted more than 500 Bar Mitzvah boys and their families. Its Jerusalem office arranged for rabbis, the locales of the ceremony, receptions and even the Bar Mitzvah announcements.

The Bar Mitzvah boy and his family must book their travel through East Tours of course, but the charge for Bar Mitzvah arrangements is surprisingly nominal. If they book a flight only, there is an additional cost of $50 per family. If they opt for one of the operator's package tours, the $50 is included in the package.

Max Mermelstein, president of East Tours, discloses that the Bar Mitzvah ceremony in Israel is very flexible. The participant may read the Torah, the Haftorah or merely chant the brief blessings before and after the Torah readings. Unless he reads the Haftorah, the ceremony is not confined to the Shabbat but may occur on Mondays, Thursdays and Rosh Chodesh.

The ceremony at the Western Wall is free of charge but donations are accepted. It must be remembered however that the Western Wall is not a synagogue and is accessible to all worshippers. Thus if a family prefers a synagogue Bar Mitzvah this can be arranged. The synagogue fee is $150 to $200 and the cantor's fee approximately $50.

If the Bar Mitzvah family has its own minyan, the service at the Western Wall can begin at any time in the morning. If not, East Tours will co-ordinate with an existing minyan, in which case the services will begin at approximately 7:30 a.m.

There are no facilities for Bar Mitzvah receptions at the Western Wall but these can be arranged at the hotel in which the family is registered. A private luncheon reception for 20 guests would cost approximately $11 per person at a four-star hotel and $14 per person at five-star hotels.

An East Tour hostess accompanies the Bar Mitzvah boy and his family to the locale of the ceremony and afterwards to the Israel Ministry of Tourism where he is presented with a silk talith.

Bravery medals given Israeli civilians

By DANIEL SAVILLE

LOD — In a touching and unusual ceremony held in Jerusalem, heroes of Israel's air and marine civil service were decorated with the highest of Israel's civilian awards for their exceptional bravery.

The medal-awarding ceremony, initiated by Transport Minister Gad Yaacobi, also revived the memories of El Al's lone fight against terror in the skies in the early 70s. Outstanding awards for valor and bravery in the face of direct terrorist attack were presented to three El Al flight personnel — two captains and a purser.

Capt. Uri Cohen, a veteran 747 pilot, now in his early 50s, was awarded the Medal for Bravery for his action in February, 1970, in tackling by himself, unarmed, an Arab terrorist who attacked an airport bus in Munich, W. Germany, as it was about to take El Al passengers to a waiting aircraft.

The second man to be awarded the Medal for Bravery was Shlomo Vider. He was the purser on the El Al flight from Amsterdam to New York on Sept. 6, 1970 when two Arab terrorists made an attempt to take over the aircraft.

Despite the threats by the terrorists that they would blow up the plane, Vider threw himself upon them. One of them was killed in the struggle, and the other, who later turned out to be the notorious Leila Khaled, was overpowered by El Al personnel. The aircraft landed safely at London airport with not one passenger harmed. Vider received five bullets in his body during his gallant action. He continues to fly.

The third Medal for Bravery was awarded to Captain Yehuda Fuchs for devotion to duty when the freight hold of his Boeing 707 was shaken by a terror bomb explosion. He safely brought his plane to an emergency landing at Lod, with most of the passengers unaware that anything had happened.

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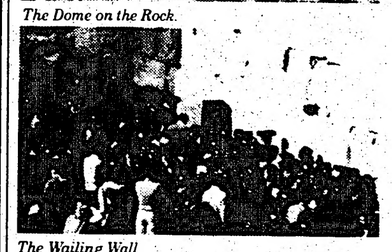

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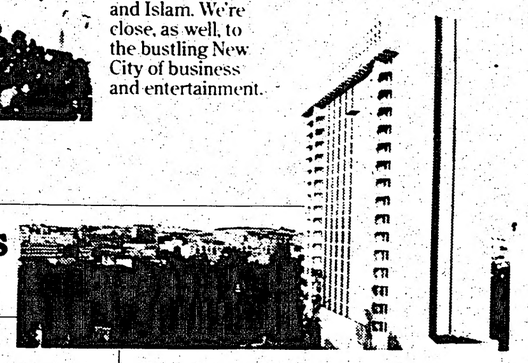

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Montreal rabbi mourns future of Quebec Jewry

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Despite the possible defeat of an independence referendum in Quebec, the Jews of that province may still, out of fear, opt to dismantle their community, says Montreal Rabbi Mark Golub.

In a hard-hitting speech criticizing the PQ government's language bill, attacking anti-Zionist elements in the cabinet and mourning the future of Quebec Jewry, the rabbi called the crisis, "one of the most difficult tests of basic civil and human rights ever faced by any single group of Jews in the history of Jewish settlement in North America."

Rabbi Golub, of Temple Beth Sholom, the second largest of three Reform synagogues in Montreal, offered his sober assessment to a capacity audience at the recent biennial convention of the Canadian Council of Liberal Congregations (CCLC), here.

Jewish emigration, he noted, began several years ago as separatism became increasingly a "bone of contention", even among the Union Nationale and Liberal parties, whose platforms are traditionally pro-Confederation.

Decrying what he labelled the suffocation of Jewish parochial schools and "the coercive tactics" employed against immigrants, Rabbi Golub remarked: "The underlying implications of French cultural, historical, linguistic, social, even ethnic superiority seem to smack of the Aryan arguments so influential in the Reich of Hitler some 40 years ago."

Not all in attendance at the workshop, "Communities in Crisis — Quebec," agreed with his view of the situation. Audience member Rabbi Bernard Blumstone of Montreal's Temple Emanu-El concluded that "the storm troopers are not in the streets yet... We are not fearful of the Parti Quebecois." He called on the province's Jewry to combat feelings of doom and gloom and to realize Quebec is not an English province.

And, in an earlier address, Rabbi Jordan Pearlson of Toronto's Temple Sinai warned against "intemperate utterances" that would only serve to create a crisis where so far none exists.

Yet, Rabbi Golub, critical of the PQ's Bill 1 on language, said Premier Rene Levesque "could not control what seems to be militant members of his inner circle which, it is feared, may include anti-Zionists, and neo-Marxists, completely opposed to the continuance of our Jewish community and Jewish way of life in Quebec, let alone the perpetuation of Jewish education."

His depressing vision of Quebec, said the Reform rabbi, author of a leading article "Quebec Jews on Edge" in the American publication Reform Judaism, raises important questions:

— will Jews be able to raise funds for Israel and self-help projects in an independent Quebec?

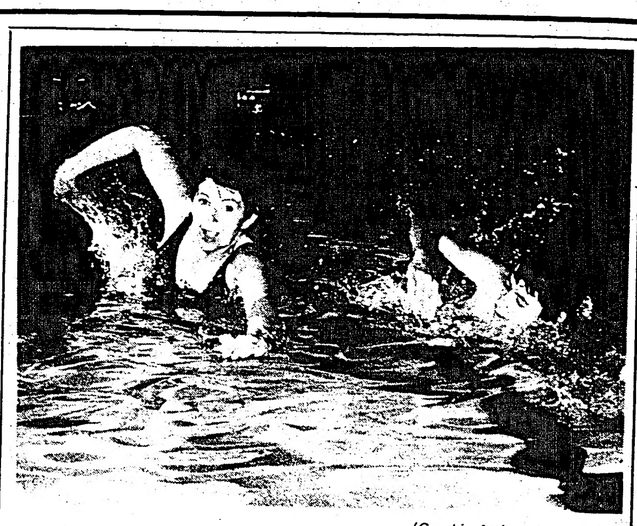
— will Israel shlichim be permitted to work on behalf of the state?

— "will a Jewish presence be allowed its own indigenous viability, religiously, intellectually, and communally, or will it be viewed as just another obstacle to the furtherance of independence goals?"

The Quebec seminar drew large interest at the three-day convention. As rabbis, delegates and lay participants, young and old, piled into one of the Royal Connaught Hotel's convention rooms, even workshops on topics such as "Arab Propaganda In Our Communities" and "The Arab Boycott" — ordinarily guaranteed to draw a crowd — were sparsely attended.

Rabbi Gunther Plaut summed up the debate by saying "it is our responsibility to see that the Jewish community (of Quebec) will remain in spiritual health." And Alexander I. Ross of New York City, chairman of the social action committee of the American Union of Hebrew Congregations (of which the CCLC is a member), assured the assembly that "this problem is very much on our minds. We want to do what we can...but it is a problem in Canada and it will take Canadian wisdom to guide us."

At the Saturday night banquet at Temple Anshe Sholom, retiring CCLC director Morley Pape was accorded a standing ovation after warm tributes were paid to him by Rabbi Pearlson and outgoing CCLC president Bernard Isaacs of Montreal.



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Working out for the swimathon at the North YM–YWHA pool are Ruth Gula and 14-year-old Steve Richmond. Swimathon is one of three main events for Maccabiah '77, a community fund-raising day for the UJA.

Pre-school division is a success at Bialik

By NANCY SCHWARTZ

TORONTO —
An experimental, full-day kindergarten program has been initiated by Bialik Hebrew Day School at their pre-school division this year. The class was formed to accommodate a group of parents who wanted their children in an all-day, bilingual, Jewish educational environment.

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Ms. Glickman, who encouraged this program, pointed out that many shy children have now come into their own. "In my 12 years of teaching at this school, I can finally devote as much time as I would like to each child," she said.

Observing the class in progress, one might see small groups working on various projects, with the occasional child who prefers working or playing alone. "The practice and theory of individual differences is one undeniable factor of the program's success," emphasized Mrs. Chaikof.

"Eliminate the stress of possibly falling behind because of insufficient time — allow a child to blossom without tensions — and you have a good chance for success."

The program is an amalgamation of concepts, BHDS's personal goals for its students and those laid down by the Ontario Ministry of Education. Ms Glickman, Mrs. Chaikof and Israeli-born principal David Gamliel also offer elements from their personal experience that enhance the program.

In order to more completely assess the class, it will be experimental for at least another year. Due to the number of full-day applicants, a second class has been opened for fall 1977, with openings still available.

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Freedman, a fourth-generation Saint Johner, has practised in the city for 29 years. He was former chief of the department of family medicine at the Saint John General Hospital and a lecturer at Dalhousie University from 1950 to 1970.

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UNVEILINGS

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Elizabeth Cohn [Edith]** will take place on May 15, 1977 at 10:30 a.m. at Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Eastern Children section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 13

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Marie Burke** will take place on Sunday, May 15, at 12:15, Dawes Rd. Cemetery, Beth Tzedec section. 13

OBITUARIES

Adler, Max - On May 3, late of 6000 Bathurst Street
Atkin, Frank Foley - On April 29, late of 101 Marlee Avenue
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Liss, Carol - On April 25, late of 4750 Bathurst St.
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Slobodsky, Max - On April 18, late of 29 Meadowbrook
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Historical journal debuts

TORONTO —

The first issue of the Jewish Historical Society of Canada Journal, dated spring, 1977, has been published.

Issued semi-annually in April and October by the Jewish Historical Society of Canada, the periodical is edited by Rabbi Jonathan Plaut of Windsor. Stephen Speisman, director of Canadian Jewish Congress' Central Region archives, is contributing editor. Among the officers are Saul Hayes, former national executive director of the Canadian Jewish Congress, and Victor Sefton, president of the Jewish Historical Society of Canada.

In an introduction at the beginning of the 54-page magazine, Sefton writes:

"It is reasonable to ask why we should be writing the history of the Canadian Jewish experience. Many reasons come to mind. For us as Jews many of the reasons spring from a very simple requirement, which may be expressed simply by saying: 'We need to know who we are, and why we are what we are' and it is perhaps very much more important that our children should know. It is also necessary for our neighbors to know.

"It may be, that if we know, and our children know, then we will have come back full circle to the imperatives laid down for us in our sacred documents, Ve-Higadtah Levinchah (And you shall tell it to your children). And we shall once more find that our religion and our culture have had the answers to our problems all the time...if only we had taken the trouble to listen."

Volume one contains five articles. They are: "And You Shall Tell It To Your Children" by Victor Sefton; "The Political Consequences Of The Jewish School Question, Montreal, 1925-1933" by David Rome; "Thoughts on French and Catholic Anti-Semitism" by Cornelius J. Jaenen; "Are Jews Of Quebec An Endangered Species?" by Saul Hayes, and "A Look At Jewish Canadiana" by Ben Kayfetz.

David Rome is national archivist of Canadian Jewish Congress. Cornelius Jaenen is professor of history at the University of Ottawa. Saul Hayes was formerly national executive director of CJC. Ben Kayfetz is executive-director of Congress' Central Region.

There are also a number of book reviews, and the constitution of the Jewish Historical Society of Canada.

Annual membership dues to the Society include a subscription to two copies of the Journal. The price is $6. Correspondence concerning articles and all editorial matter can be addressed to Rabbi Plaut, c/o Congregation Beth El, 2525 Mark Avenue, Windsor, Ont.

Educator says

'Main problem commitment'

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —

Lack of Jewish commitment in the home appears to be the most serious problem facing Jewish education today. At least it was the most frequently cited problem, cropping up at all levels throughout the recent day-long Regional Conference on Jewish Education, held here at Beth Jacob Congregation by the Canadian Jewish Congress, Central Region, in co-operation with the Hamilton Jewish Federation.

In his keynote address Dr. Hyman Chanover, executive vice-president of the Baltimore Bureau of Jewish Education, told of studies conducted in the U.S. in which the surveyors concluded that "in the seven to 13 age group, the dominant influence is not the church or school but the home.

"Jews have maintained for centuries that the durable influence in a person's life is the home," he said, "and the best of schooling is little more than an oasis in a person's life."

In an earlier workshop session, Rabbi Israel N. Silverman of Beth Jacob Synagogue said that "in a different age...the community could provide a total Jewish environment and the home at that time was the effective Jewish educator. But today," he charged, "the home is almost diametrically opposed to what is being taught — and the home always wins!"

Describing himself as "a travelling salesman in Jewish education," Chanover spoke of declining enrolment, the alienation of young people at the college and university level, and mixed marriages. "In an age in which we might well see the dissolution of Jewish family life," he advocated finding "unconventional ways of reaching parents" as well as "ways of coping with the new phenomena which threaten family life today."

Nevertheless, he found certain positive trends: "One thing that is heartening," he said, "is the new sense of openness in Jewish education. With the bewildering number of innovations in education programs introduced in recent years and the general getting away from the lock-step type of progress," he found Jewish communities attuned to these developments — "much slower than general education but at least willing to try."

But the teacher is the heart of the educational process for which "no gadgetry or gimmickry can substitute — and we haven't done very much to elevate the status of our teachers."

He recommended the creation of cores of paraprofessionals "so that the professional does the essential things and other chores are left to those less skilled"; teacher exchanges and incentive grants to teachers to encourage them to develop new curricula.

"We must get away from the notion that the only valid teaching is related to text," he said. "There is much more emphasis on experience today...and since we really do not know what triggers Jewish commitment today," he reminded his audience that "religion is not the only road to identification today."

Hermine Petrescu

Famous singer arrives

TORONTO —

Hermine Petrescu, the acclaimed chanteuse who sings in 15 languages, will make her 10th annual appearance here on Thursday, May 19 at 8:30 at the St. Lawrence Centre.

The Romanian-born artist will be assisted by conductor Howard Gallagher, and a champagne reception will follow Ms Petrescu's performance.

Billed by critics as the "international interpreter of songs", she recently returned from star-studded appearances in New York, Miami, Washington, D.C., London, Paris and Antwerp.

According to those who know her, Ms Petrescu's artistic life has been a chain of uninterrupted successes. She began her career at the age of 10 and since then has excited critics in four continents.

Paris' France Soir wrote: "Such talent! She is terrific! And she is so versatile."

Student federation to promote aliyah

TORONTO —

The Jewish Student Federation at York University has organized a campus group to promote aliyah and Israeli programs. Hevrat Aliyah will attempt to make university students aware that Israel is a realistic alternative as a place of study or residence.

A few of the activities the group has planned include a detailed information service. This is to be based on personal reports by members in Israel about various programs and professional prospects, outlining the pros and cons, requirements and obligations, important people to contact and arrangement procedures.

Hevrat Aliyah will also provide a kind of "shadchan service" through which penpals in Israel will be matched to the individual's needs and interests. The group will also arrange a series of evenings of discussions, the first of which is to be held on the evening of May 15. The guest speaker for this event will be Milton Zaretsky of Garin Sha'am, a garin intent on making aliyah to northern development towns.

Zaretsky will be speaking on "The Importance of Development Towns in Israel Today". Anyone interested in attending may call the JSF at 667-3647 for further details.

Writer Grigory Svirsky will be granted status of landed immigrant

TORONTO [Staff] —

Dissident author Grigory Svirsky, who emigrated from the Soviet Union in 1972, will be granted landed immigrant status after formal details are completed.

The Russian, a Toronto resident since January, 1975, was asked formally to leave Canada last month, but the Department of Immigration and Manpower reviewed his case and that of his wife, Polina, and son, Efim.

In an announcement from the office of Defence Minister Barney Danson, who received the news from Immigration Minister Bud Cullen, it was learned that Svirsky will have to apply outside the country, perhaps in the U.S., before formal status is granted. Holy Blossom Rabbi Gunther Plaut played a key role in the case.

Reached at his Thorncliffe Park apartment, the Russian author was guardedly optimistic. "I am very tired about everything," he told the Canadian Jewish News, although adding he was relieved. "I won't believe it until I see it stamped in our documents."

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